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The Cover: The Camden County Courthouse in Camden, North Carolina, a small Greek Revival brick building with the main floor above a high raised basement, was completed in 1847. The main facade is dominated by a tetra-style portico extending over the central entrance and flanking bays and supported by heavy Doric columns of molded brick set on high brick piers. The rural county of Camden, located in the northeast region of the State, was established in 1777. Its first courthouse burned about 1846.

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The Honorable Joseph Branch, Chief Justice
The Supreme Court of North Carolina
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Chief Justice:

In accord with Section 7A-343 of the North Carolina General Statutes, I herewith transmit the Nineteenth Annual Report of the Administrative Office of the Courts, relating to the fiscal year, July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985.

Appreciation is expressed to the many persons who participated in the data reporting, compilation, and writing required to produce this annual report. Within the Administrative Office of the Courts, principal responsibilities were shared by the Research and Planning Division and the Information Services Division. The principal burden of reporting the great mass of trial court data rested upon the offices of the clerks of superior court located in each of the one hundred counties of the State. The Clerk of the Supreme Court and the Clerk of the Court of Appeals provided the case data relating to our appellate courts.

Without the responsible work of many persons across the State this report would not have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin E. Freeman, Jr.
Director

April, 1986

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PART I

THE 1984-1985 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

THE 1984-85 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

This *Annual Report* on the work of North Carolina's Judicial Department is for the fiscal year which began July 1, 1984 and ended June 30, 1985.

The Workload of the Courts

Case filings in the Supreme Court totaled 227 compared with 201 filed during 1983-84. A total of 620 petitions were filed in the Supreme Court, compared with 541 in 1983-84; and 111 petitions were allowed, compared with 69 in 1983-84.

For the Court of Appeals for 1984-85, case filings were 1,375 compared with 1,314 for the 1983-84 year. Petitions filed in 1984-85 totaled 484, compared with 471 during the 1983-84 year.

More detailed data on the appellate courts is included in Part II of this *Annual Report*.

In the superior courts, case filings (civil and criminal) increased by 6.2% to a total of 85,569 in 1984-85, compared with 80,558 cases in 1983-84. Superior court case dispositions also increased, to a total of 84,334, compared with 80,290 in 1983-84. As case filings during the year exceeded case dispositions, the total number of cases pending at the end of the year increased by 1,235.

Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the statewide total of district court filings (civil and criminal) during 1984-85 was 1,554,619, an increase of 104,440 cases (7.2%) from 1983-84 filings of 1,450,179 cases. Much of this increase is attributable to inclusion, for the first time, of civil license revocation cases, which numbered 58,093 filings during 1984-85. (Excluding these cases, district court filings increased by 3.2% from last year, from 1,450,179 filings to 1,496,526.) All areas of the District Court's caseload increased, with the most dramatic increase (23.8%) in the civil caseload, from 298,996 filings in 1983-84 to 370,091 in 1984-85, again attributable largely to the inclusion of civil license revocation cases.

Operations of the superior and district courts are summarized in Part II of this Report, and detailed information on the caseloads in the 100 counties and 34 judicial districts is presented in Part IV.

1985 Legislative Highlights

Constitutional Amendment

A proposed constitutional amendment providing for nonpartisan merit selection of judges failed to emerge from committee for the necessary three-fifths legislative approval for submission to a statewide vote.

Service As Emergency Judge

The General Assembly implemented a 1982 amendment to the State Constitution which authorizes legislation to permit retired appellate judges to serve temporarily on either appellate court. The legislation was more narrowly drawn, however, than the constitutional amendment, inasmuch as retired judges of the Court of Appeals may not be recalled to temporary service on the Supreme Court. The compensation for a recalled retired appellate judge was increased from $75 a day to $100 a day.

State Judicial Center Commission

The General Assembly established the State Judicial Center Commission, "to study the current and future needs for office and court facilities of the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, and the Administrative Office of the Courts, and the desirability and practicability of providing a single facility for the exclusive use of the State-level components of the judicial branch of government." The Commission will have nine members: two appointed by the Governor, two appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; two appointed by the President of the Senate; two appointed by the Chief Justice; and the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts as an *ex officio* member. The Chief Justice appoints the chairman and the vice chairman. The legislation further provides that the Commission is to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than March 1, 1987.

Salaries

The schedule of salaries for full-time magistrates (G.S. 7A-171.1(a)(1)) was revised, increasing the annual salaries by at least 10% for all the State's magistrates and adding a seventh step to the schedule for magistrates with eleven or more years of service. Specific recognition was provided for magistrates designated as part-time to be covered under the retirement system and health insurance coverage program.

Funds were appropriated for a 5% pay increase for other officials and employees of the Judicial Department. Additionally, the merit pay system was restored for the first time in three years, allowing those employees of the Judicial Department whose salaries are not itemized in the Appropriations Act to be eligible sometime during the fiscal year for a 4.8% merit increase. However, under the legislation neither the 5% salary increase nor the merit increase is applicable until the employee has been continuously employed for one year.

Longevity pay previously enacted was continued, and judges who had previous service as an elected district attorney or clerk of superior court received credit on their longevity pay for that service.

Jurisdiction of Magistrates

The jurisdiction of magistrates in small claims cases was increased from $1,000 to $1,500. This change was made effective October 1, 1985.

New Positions

Funding was appropriated for the following additional positions in the Judicial Department: five district court judges; fourteen magistrates, seven of which will be effec-

tive July 1, 1985, and the other seven positions effective July 1, 1986; five assistant district attorneys; five deputy clerk positions; additional law clerk positions for the appellate court, so that each appellate judge will have two law clerks; and two investigators for public defender offices.

Equipment

Much of the $7 million increase in funding for 1985-86 was for continued upgrading of equipment in the Judicial Department. All counties will have automated cash registers, and many will have state-of-the-art microfilm readers. Twenty-seven counties will have an automated child-support system, and 32 (formerly 22) counties will have an automated system for processing criminal cases.

Appellate Defender

The General Assembly made permanent the Appellate Defender Office by deleting the expiration provision from the statutes. Amendments were also enacted to give the Chief Justice, rather than the Governor, authority to appoint the Appellate Defender.

Ten-Day Driver License Revocation Fee

Proceeds from the ten-day driver license revocation fee, which driving-while-intoxicated offenders must pay to recover their driver licenses, are to be distributed to the counties to defray the costs of weekend confinement of those persons convicted of driving while impaired. (Chapter 698, Sec. 19, 1985 Session Laws)

Decriminalization of Minor Traffic Offenses

An act to classify minor traffic offenses as infractions and to provide a procedure for the disposition of such infractions by the courts was enacted by the 1985 General Assembly (Chapter 764, 1985 Session Laws). The sanction for a person found responsible for an infraction is a monetary penalty, not to exceed $100. The act becomes effective July 1, 1986, to apply to offenses committed on and after that date.

Indigent Defense

Chapter 698, 1985 Session Laws, effective for indictments issued on or after July 11, 1985, amends G.S. 7A-450 to require that a second lawyer (assistant counsel) be appointed to assist in representing an indigent defendant charged with an offense that provides for the death penalty. If the public defender's office is representing the indigent defendant, the second lawyer may come from that office.

Administrative Procedures Act

The General Assembly rewrote (Ch. 746, 1985 Session Laws) the Administrative Procedure Act, affecting the method of handling cases before agencies of state government. The new Act creates an Office of Administrative Hearings to hear contested cases involving administrative rules and regulations. The Act sets up a two-track procedure for hearing contested cases involving state rules, which will apply to all cases commenced after January 1, 1986: (1) all cases concerning the Department of Human Resources will be heard by that agency's hearing officers, unless the aggrieved party requests a hearing officer from the Office of Administrative Hearings; and (2) cases involving other state agencies will be heard by the Office of Administrative Hearings, unless the aggrieved party prefers a hearing officer from the agency itself. Final decision-making authority still will rest with the agencies, although they must set out reasons in writing whenever they do not accept or adopt recommendation of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Publication of a *North Carolina Register* at least once a month is also required by the new Act. The *Register* will publish proposed rules, newly adopted rules, repeals and changes, and all executive orders issued by the Governor.

The Act directs the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to ask the State Supreme Court for an advisory opinion on the constitutionality of two of the Act's provisions: (1) the Administrative Rules Review Commission, which is empowered to review and disallow proposed state agency rules; and (2) the appointment of the Chief Hearing Officer by the Chief Justice. The Administrative Rules Review Commission was not to be activated until 30 days after the advisory opinion, with the relevant sections of the Act becoming void if found unconstitutional; and should the advisory opinion advise that the Chief Justice may not constitutionally appoint the Chief Hearing Officer, that duty devolves upon the Attorney General.

(On October 28, 1985, the Supreme Court declined to issue an advisory opinion on the merits of the questions, refusing "to place themselves directly in the stream of the legislative process" and deferring to "the General Assembly's prerogative to first address and determine the constitutionality of its legislation" without prior judicial involvement.)

Appropriations

The 1985 Session of the General Assembly appropriated a total of $119,285,856 for the operation of the Judicial Department during the 1985-86 fiscal year, and a total of $8,796,794 for private assigned counsel fees (for representing indigents).

PART II

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- **Historical Development of Court System**
- **Present Court System**
- **Organization and Operations in 1984-85**

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

From its early colonial period North Carolina's judicial system has been the focus of periodic attention and adjustment. Through the years, there has been a repeated sequence of critical examination, proposals for reform, and finally the enactment of some reform measures.

Colonial Period

Around 1700 the royal governor established a General (or Supreme) Court for the colony and a dispute developed over the appointment of associate justices. The Assembly conceded to the King the right to name the chief justice but unsuccessfully tried to win for itself the power to appoint the associate justices. Other controversies developed concerning the creation and jurisdiction of the courts and the tenure of judges. As for the latter, the Assembly's position was that judge appointments should be for good behavior as against the royal governor's decision for life appointment. State historians have noted that "the Assembly won its fight to establish courts and the judicial structure in the province was grounded on laws enacted by the legislature", which was more familiar with local conditions and needs (Lefler and Newsome, 142). Nevertheless, North Carolina alternated between periods under legislatively enacted reforms (like good behavior tenure and the Court Bill of 1746, which contained the seeds of the post-Revolutionary court system) and periods of stalemate and anarchy after such enactment were nullified by royal authority. A more elaborate system was framed by legislation in 1767 to last five years. It was not renewed because of persisting disagreement between local and royal partisans. As a result, North Carolina was without higher courts until after Independence (Battle, 847).

At the lower court level during the colonial period, judicial and county government administrative functions were combined in the authority of the justices of the peace, who were appointed by the royal governor.

After the Revolution

When North Carolina became a state in 1776, the colonial structure of the court system was retained largely intact. The Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — the county court which continued in use from about 1670 to 1868 — were still held by the assembled justices of the peace in each county. The justices were appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the General Assembly, and they were paid out of fees charged litigants. On the lowest level of the judicial system, magistrate courts of limited jurisdiction were held by justices of the peace, singly or in pairs, while the county court was out of term.

The new Constitution of 1776 empowered the General Assembly to appoint judges of the Supreme Court of Law and Equity. A court law enacted a year later authorized three superior court judges and created judicial districts. Sessions were supposed to be held in the court towns of each district twice a year, under a system much like the one that had expired in 1772. Just as there had been little distinction in terminology between General Court and Supreme Court prior to the Revolution, the terms Supreme Court and Superior Court were also interchangeable during the period immediately following the Revolution.

One of the most vexing governmental problems confronting the new State of North Carolina was its judiciary. "From its inception in 1777 the state's judiciary caused complaint and demands for reform." (Lefler and Newsome, 291, 292). Infrequency of sessions, conflicting judge opinions, and insufficient number of judges, and lack of means for appeal were all cited as problems, although the greatest weakness was considered to be the lack of a real Supreme Court.

In 1779, the legislature required the Superior Court judges to meet together in Raleigh as a Court of Conference to resolve cases which were disagreed on in the districts. This court was continued and made permanent by subsequent laws. The justices were required to put their opinions in writing to be delivered orally in court. The Court of Conference was changed in name to the Supreme Court in 1805 and authorized to hear appeals in 1810. Because of the influence of the English legal system, however, there was still no conception of an alternative to judges sitting together to hear appeals from cases which they had themselves heard in the districts in panels of as few as two judges (Battle, 848). In 1818, though, an independent three-judge Supreme Court was created for review of cases decided at the Superior Court level.

Meanwhile, semi-annual superior court sessions in each county were made mandatory in 1806, and the State was divided into six circuits, or ridings, where the six judges were to sit in rotation, two judges constituting a quorum as before.

The County Court of justices of the peace continued during this period as the lowest court and as the agency of local government.

After the Civil War

Major changes to modernize the judiciary and make it more democratic were made in 1868. A primary holdover from the English legal arrangement — the distinction between law and equity proceedings — was abolished. The County Court's control of local government was abolished. Capital offenses were limited to murder, arson, burglary and rape, and the Constitution stated that the aim of punishment was "not only to satisfy justice, but also to reform the offender, and thus prevent crime". The membership of the Supreme Court was raised to five, and the selection of the justices (including the designation of the chief justice) and superior court judges (raised in number to 12) was taken from the legislature and given to the voters, although vacancies were to be filled by the governor until the next election. The Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — The County Court of which three justices of the peace constituted a quorum — was eliminated. Its judicial responsibilities were divided between the Superior Courts and the indi-

vidual justices of the peace, who were retained as separate judicial officers with limited jurisdiction.

Conservatively oriented amendments to the 1868 Constitution in 1875 reduced the number of Supreme Court justices to three and the Superior Court judges to nine. The General Assembly was given the power to appoint justices of the peace, instead of the governor. Most of the modernizing changes in the post-Civil War Constitution, however, were left, and the judicial structure it had established continued without systematic modification through more than half of the 20th century. (A further constitutional amendment approved by the voters in November, 1888, returned the Supreme Court membership to five, and the number of superior court judges to twelve.)

Before Reorganization

A multitude of legislative enactments to meet rising demands and to respond to changing needs had heavily encumbered the 1868 judicial structure by the time systematic court reforms were proposed in the 1950's. This accrual of piecemeal change and addition to the court system was most evident at the lower, local court level, where hundreds of courts specially created by statute operated with widely dissimilar structure and jurisdiction.

By 1965, when the implementation of the most recent major reforms was begun, the court system in North Carolina consisted of four levels: (a) the Supreme Court, with appellate jurisdiction; (b) the superior court, with general trial jurisdiction; (c) the local statutory courts of limited jurisdiction, and (d) justices of the peace and mayor's courts, with petty jurisdiction.

At the superior court level, the State had been divided into 30 judicial districts and 21 solicitorial districts. The 38 superior court judges (who rotated among the counties) and the district solicitors were paid by the State. The clerk of superior court, who was judge of probate and often also a juvenile judge, was a county official. There were specialized branches of superior court in some counties for matters like domestic relations and juvenile offenses.

The lower two levels were local courts. At the higher of these local court levels were more than 180 recorder-type courts. Among these were the county recorder's courts, municipal recorder's courts and township recorder's courts; the general county courts, county criminal courts and special county courts; the domestic relations courts and the juvenile courts. Some of these had been established individually by special legislative acts more than a half-century earlier. Others had been created by general law across the State since 1919. About half were county courts and half were city or township courts. Jurisdiction included misdemeanors (mostly traffic offenses), preliminary hearings and sometimes civil matters. The judges, who were usually part-time, were variously elected or appointed locally.

At the lowest level were about 90 mayor's courts and some 925 justices of the peace. These officers had similar criminal jurisdiction over minor cases with penalties up to a $50 fine or 30 days in jail. The justices of the peace also had civil jurisdiction of minor cases. These court officials were compensated by the fees they exacted, and they provided their own facilities.

Court Reorganization

The need for a comprehensive evaluation and revision of the court system received the attention and support of Governor Luther H. Hodges in 1957, who encouraged the leadership of the North Carolina Bar Association to pursue the matter. A Court Study Committee was established as an agency of the North Carolina Bar Association, and that Committee issued its report, calling for reorganization, at the end of 1958. A legislative Constitutional Commission, which worked with the Court Study Committee, finished its report early the next year. Both groups called for the structuring of an all-inclusive court system which would be directly state-operated, uniform in its organization throughout the State and centralized in its administration. The plan was for a simplified, streamlined and unified structure. A particularly important part of the proposal was the elimination of the local satutory courts and their replacement by a single District Court; the office of justice of the peace was to be abolished, and the newly fashioned position of magistrate would function within the District Court as a subordinate judicial office.

Constitutional amendments were introduced in the legislature in 1959 but these failed to gain the required three-fifths vote of each house. The proposals were reintroduced and approved at the 1961 session. The Constitutional amendments were approved by popular vote in 1962, and three years later the General Assembly enacted statutes to put the system into effect by stages. By the end of 1970 all of the counties and their courts had been incorporated into the new system, whose unitary nature was symbolized by the name, General Court of Justice. The designation of the entire 20th century judicial system as a single, statewide "court," with components for various types and levels of caseload, was adapted from North Carolina's earlier General Court, whose full venue extended to all of the 17th century counties.

After Reorganization

Notwithstanding the comprehensive reorganization adopted in 1962, the impetus for changes has continued. In 1965, the Constitution was amended to provide for the creation of an intermediate Court of Appeals. It was amended again in 1972 to allow for the Supreme Court to censure or remove judges upon the recommendation of a Judicial Standards Commission. As for the selection of judges, persistent efforts were made in the 1970's to obtain legislative approval of amendments to the State Constitution, to appoint judges according to "merit" instead of electing them by popular, partisan vote. The proposed amendments received the backing of a majority of the

members of each house, but not the three-fifths required to submit constitutional amendments to a vote of the people. It seems likely that this significant issue will be before the General Assembly again for consideration.

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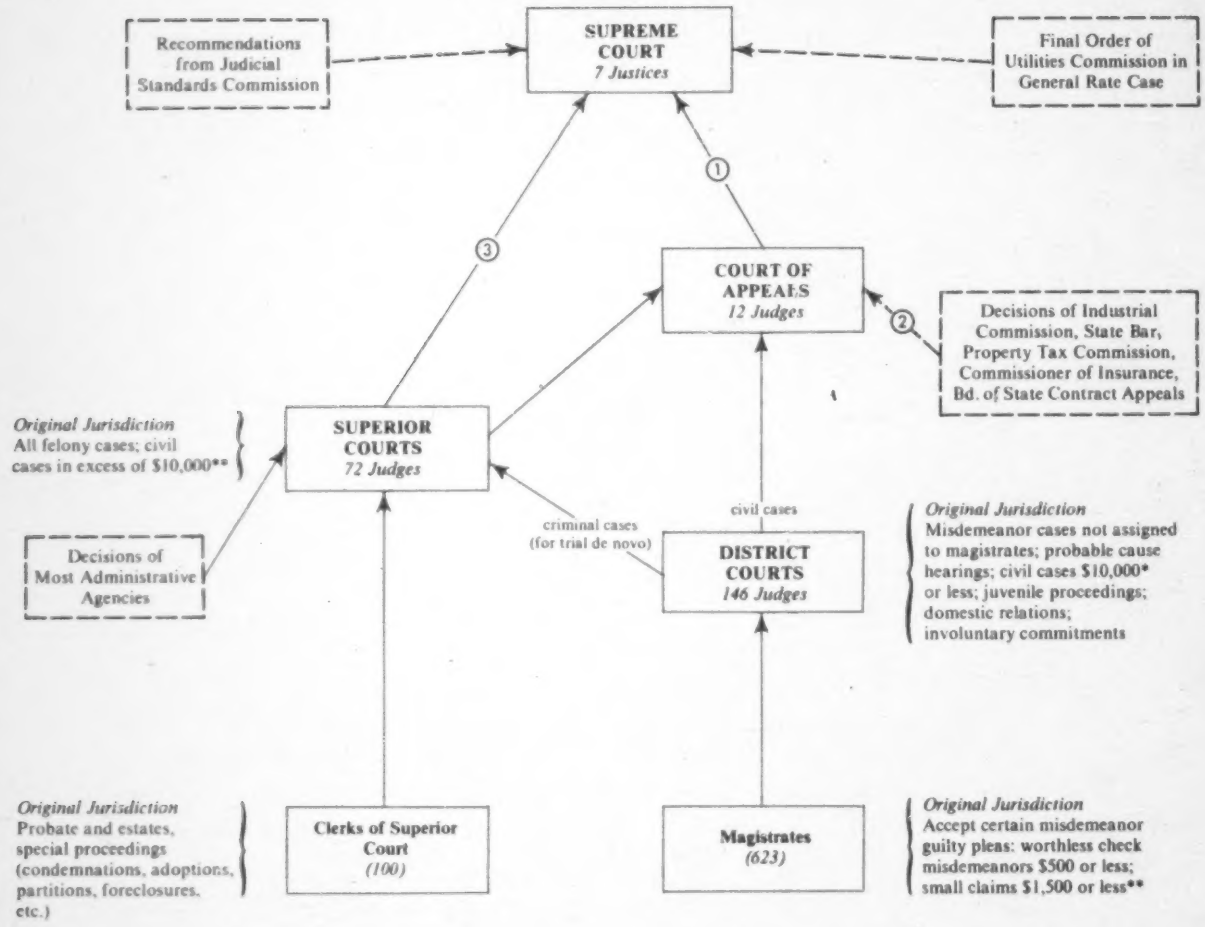
THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Original Jurisdiction and Routes of Appeal


Recommendations from Judicial Standards Commission
SUPREME COURT
7 Justices
Final Order of Utilities Commission in General Rate Case
1
3
COURT OF APPEALS
12 Judges
2
Decisions of Industrial Commission, State Bar, Property Tax Commission, Commissioner of Insurance, Bd. of State Contract Appeals
Original Jurisdiction
All felony cases; civil cases in excess of $10,000**
SUPERIOR COURTS
72 Judges
civil cases
criminal cases (for trial de novo)
DISTRICT COURTS
146 Judges
Original Jurisdiction
Misdemeanor cases not assigned to magistrates; probable cause hearings; civil cases $10,000* or less; juvenile proceedings; domestic relations; involuntary commitments
Decisions of Most Administrative Agencies
Original Jurisdiction
Probate and estates, special proceedings (condemnations, adoptions, partitions, foreclosures, etc.)
Clerks of Superior Court
(100)
Magistrates
(623)
Original Jurisdiction
Accept certain misdemeanor guilty pleas: worthless check misdemeanors $500 or less; small claims $1,500 or less**

(1) Appeals from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court are by right in Utilities Commission general rate cases, cases involving comstitutional questions, and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may review Court of Appeals decisions in cases of significant public interest or cases involving legal principles of major significance.

(2) Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the Court of Appeals.

(3) As a matter of right, appeals go directly to the Supreme Court in criminal cases in which the defendent has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment, and in civil cases involving the involuntary annexation of territory by a municipality of 5,000 or more population. In all other cases appeal as of right is to the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may hear appeals directly from the trial courts in cases where delay would cause substantial harm or the Court of Appeals docket is unusually full.

*The district and superior courts have concurrent original jurisdiction in civil actions (G.S. 7A-242). However, the district court division is the *proper* division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less; and the superior court division is the proper division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy exceeds $10,000 (G.S. 7A-243).

**Magistrate jurisdiction in small claims cases increased from $1,000 to $1,500 effective October 1, 1985

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Article IV of the North Carolina Constitution establishes the General Court of Justice which "shall constitute a unified judicial system for purposes of jurisdiction, operation, and administration, and shall consist of an Appellate Division, a Superior Court Division, and a District Court Division."

The Appellate Division is comprised of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

The Superior Court Division is comprised of the superior courts which hold sessions in the county seats of the 100 counties of the State. The counties are grouped into judicial districts (34 at the present time), and one or more superior court judges are elected for each of the judicial districts. A clerk of the superior court for each county is elected by the voters of the county.

The District Court Division is comprised of the district courts. The General Assembly is authorized to divide the State into a convenient number of local court districts and prescribe where the district courts shall sit, but district court must sit in at least one place in each county. The General Assembly has provided that districts for purposes of the district court are co-terminous with superior court judicial districts. The Constitution also provides for one or more magistrates to be appointed in each county "who shall be officers of the district court."

The State Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 1) also contains the term, "judicial department," stating that "The General Assembly shall have no power to deprive the judicial department of any power or jurisdiction that rightfully pertains to it as a co-ordinate department of the government, nor shall it establish or authorize any courts other than as permitted by this Article." The terms, "General Court of Justice" and "Judicial Department" are almost, but not quite, synonymous. It may be said that the Judicial Department encompasses all of the levels of court designated as the General Court of Justice plus all administrative and ancillary services within the Judicial Department.

The original jurisdictions and routes of appeal between the several levels of court in North Carolina's system of courts are illustrated in the chart on the opposite page.

Criminal Cases

Trial of misdemeanor cases is within the original jurisdiction of the district courts. Some misdemeanor offenses are tried by magistrates, who are also empowered to accept pleas of guilty to certain offenses and impose fines in accordance with a schedule set by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges. Most trials of misdemeanors are by district court judges, who also hold preliminary, "probable cause" hearings in felony cases. Trial of felony cases is within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.

Decisions of magistrates may be appealed to the district court judge. In criminal cases there is no trial by jury available at the district court level; appeal from the district courts' judgments in criminal cases is to the superior courts for trial *de novo* before a jury. Except in life-imprisonment or death sentence cases (which are appealed to the Supreme Court), appeal from the superior courts is to the Court of Appeals.

Civil Cases

The 100 clerks of superior court are *ex officio* judges of probate and have original jurisdiction in probate and estates matters. The clerks also have jurisdiction over such special proceedings as adoptions, partitions, condemnations under the authority of eminent domain, and foreclosures. Rulings of the clerk may be appealed to the superior court.

The district courts have original jurisdiction in juvenile proceedings, domestic relations cases, petitions for involuntary commitment to a mental hospital, and are the "proper" courts for general civil cases where the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less. If the amount in controversy is $1,500 or less and the plaintiff in the case so requests, the chief district court judge may assign the case for initial hearing by a magistrate. Magistrates' decisions may be appealed to the district court. Trial by jury for civil cases is available in the district courts; appeal from the judgment of a district court in a civil case is to the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

The superior courts are the proper courts for trial of general civil cases where the amount in controversy is more than $10,000. Appeals from decisions of most administrative agencies is first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts. Appeal from the superior courts in civil cases is to the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The North Carolina Supreme Court has the "general power to supervise and control the proceedings of any of the other courts of the General Court of Justice." (G.S. 7A-32(b)).

In addition to this grant of general supervisory power, the North Carolina General Statutes provide certain Judicial Department officials with specific powers and responsibilities for the operation of the court system. The Supreme Court has the responsibility for prescribing rules of practice and procedures for the appellate courts and for prescribing rules for the trial courts to supplement those prescribed by statute. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court designates one of the judges of the Court of Appeals to be its Chief Judge, who in turn is responsible for scheduling the sessions of the Court of Appeals.

The chart on the following page illustrates specific responsibilities for administration of the trial courts vested in Judicial Department officials by statute. The Chief Justice appoints the Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts; this Assistant Director also serves as the Chief Justice's administrative assistant. The schedule of sessions of superior court in the 100 counties is set by the Supreme Court; assignment of the State's rotating superior court judges is the responsibility of the Chief Justice. Finally, the Chief Justice designates a chief district court judge for

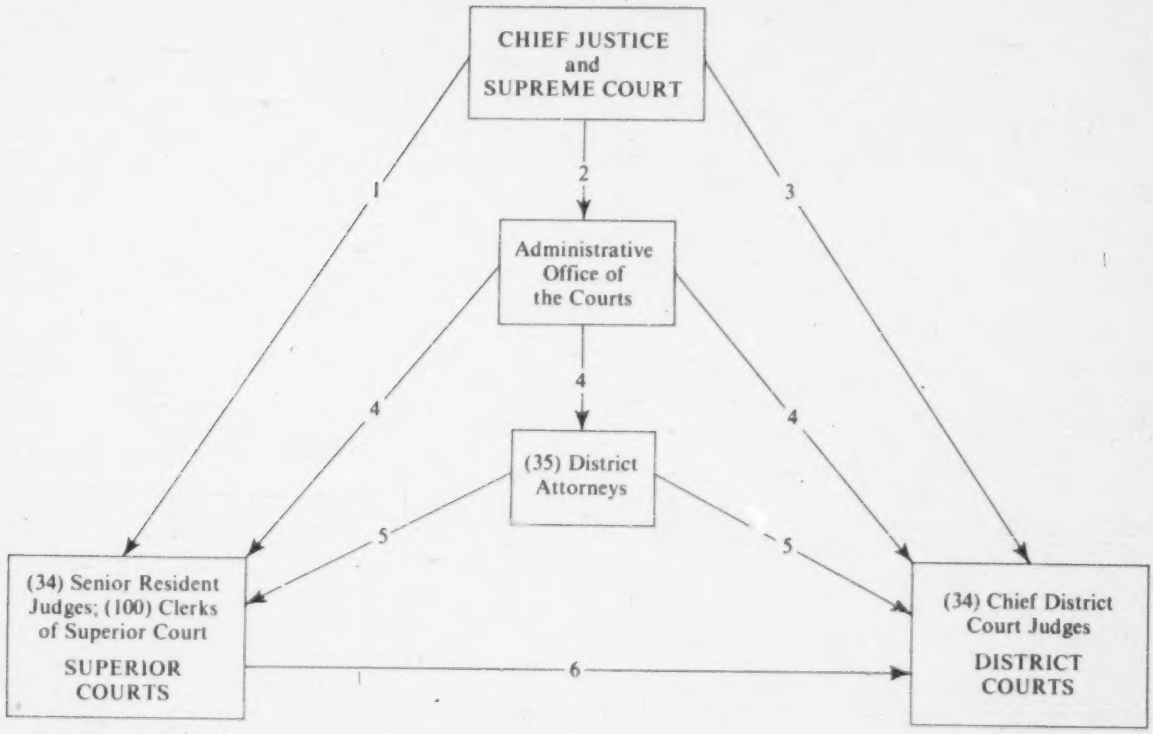
each of the State's 34 judicial districts from among the elected district court judges of the respective districts. These judges have responsibilities for the scheduling of the district courts and magistrates' courts within their respective districts, along with other administrative responsibilities.

The Administrative Office of the Courts is responsible for direction of non-judicial, administrative and business affairs of the Judicial Department. Included among its functions are fiscal management, personnel services, information and statistical services, supervision of record keeping in the trial court clerks' offices, liaison with the legislative and executive departments of government, court facility evaluation, purchase and contract, education and training, coordination of the program for provision of legal counsel to indigent persons, juvenile probation and after-care, trial court administrator services, planning, and general administrative services.

The clerk of superior court in each county acts as clerk for both the superior and district courts. Until 1980, the clerk also served as chairman of the county's calendar committee, which set the civil case calendars. Effective July 1, 1980, these committees were eliminated; day-to-day calendaring of civil cases is now done by the clerk of superior court or by a "trial court administrator" in some districts, under the supervision of the senior resident superior court judge and chief district court judge. The criminal case calendars in both superior and district courts are set by the district attorney of the respective district.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Principal Administrative Authorities for North Carolina Trial Courts



[1]The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the superior courts (as well as other trial courts). The schedule of superior courts is approved by the Supreme Court; assignments of superior court judges, who rotate from district to district, are the responsibility of the Chief Justice.

[2]The Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

[3]The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the district courts (as well as other trial courts). The Chief Justice appoints a chief district court judge in each of the 34 judicial districts from the judges elected in the respective districts.

[4]The Administrative Office of the Courts is empowered to prescribe a variety of rules governing the operation of the offices of the 100 clerks of superior court, and to obtain statistical data and other information from officials in the Judicial Department.

[5]The district attorney sets the criminal-case trial calendars. In each district, the senior resident superior court judge and the chief district court judge are empowered to supervise the calendaring procedures for civil cases in their respective courts.

[6]In addition to certain judicial functions, the clerk of superior court performs administrative, fiscal and record-keeping functions for both the superior court and district court of his county. Magistrates, who serve under the supervision of the chief district court judge, are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominees submitted by the clerk of superior court.

THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA*

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LOUIS B. MEYER
BURLEY B. MITCHELL, JR.
HARRY C. MARTIN
HENRY E. FRYE
EARL W. VAUGHN

Retired Chief Justices
WILLIAM H. BOBBITT
SUSIE SHARP

Retired Justices

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DAN K. MOORE
WALTER E. BROCK
J. FRANK HUSKINS
DAVID M. BRITT
J. WILLIAM COPELAND

Clerk
J. Gregory Wallace

Librarian
Frances H. Hall

*As of 30 June 1985.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The Supreme Court

At the apex of the North Carolina court system is the seven-member Supreme Court, which sits in Raleigh to consider and decide questions of law presented in civil and criminal cases on appeal. The Chief Justice and six associate justices are elected to eight-year terms by the voters of the State. There are two terms of the Supreme Court each year: a Spring Term commencing on the first Tuesday in February and a Fall Term commencing on the first Tuesday in September. The Court does not sit in panels. It sits only *en banc*, that is, all members sitting on each case.

Jurisdiction

The only original case jurisdiction exercised by the Supreme Court is in the censure and removal of judges upon the (non-binding) recommendations of the Judicial Standards Commission. The Court's appellate jurisdiction includes:

- cases on appeal by right from the Court of Appeals (cases involving substantial constitutional questions and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals);
- cases on appeal by right from the Utilities Commission (cases involving final order or decision in a general rate matter);
- criminal cases on appeal by right from the superior courts (cases in which the defendant has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment); and
- cases in which review has been granted in the Supreme Court's discretion.

Discretionary review by the Supreme Court directly from the trial courts may be granted when delay would likely cause subsantial harm or when the workload of the Appellate Division is such that the expeditious administration of justice requires it. However, most appeals are heard only after review by the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The Supreme Court has general power to supervise and control the proceedings of the other courts of the General Court of Justice. The Court has specific power to prescribe the rules of practice and procedure for the trial court divisions, consistent with any rules enacted by the General Assembly. The schedule of superior court sessions in the 100 counties is approved yearly, by the Supreme Court. The Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Librarian of the Supreme Court Library, and the Appellate Division Reporter are appointed by the Supreme Court.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court appoints the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts and an Assistant Director, who serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice. He also designates a Chief Judge from among the judges of the Court of Appeals and a Chief District Court Judge from among the district judges in each of the State's 34 judicial districts. He assigns superior court judges, who regularly rotate from district to district, to the scheduled sessions of superior court in the 100 counties, and he is also empowered to transfer district court judges to other districts for temporary or specialized duty. The Chief Justice appoints three of the seven members of the Judicial Standards Commission—a judge of the Court of Appeals who serves as the Commission's chairman, one superior court judge and one district court judge. The Chief Justice also appoints six of the 24 voting members of the N.C. Courts Commission: one associate justice of the Supreme Court; one Court of Appeals judge; two superior court judges; and two district court judges. The Chief Justice also appoints the Appellate Defender, and the Chief Hearing Officer of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Expenses of the Court, 1984-85

Operating expenses of the Supreme Court during the 1984-85 fiscal year amounted to $1,845,637, an increase of 17.5% over total 1984-85 expenditures of $1,571,316. Expenditures for the Supreme Court during 1984-85 constituted 1.5% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year.

Case Data, 1984-85

A total of 346 appealed cases were before the Supreme Court during the fiscal year, 119 that were pending on July 1, 1984 plus 227 cases filed through June 30, 1985. A total of 177 of these cases were disposed of, leaving 169 cases pending on June 30, 1985.

A total of 782 petitions (requests to appeal) were before the Court during the 1984-85 year, with 665 disposed during the year and 177 pending as of June 30, 1985. The Court granted more petitions for review (111) during 1984-85 than in any prior year.

More detailed date on the Court's workload is presented on the following pages.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

Supreme Court Caseload Inventory

July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

	Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Disposed	Pending 6/30/85
Petitions for Review				
Civil domestic	9	36	41	4
Juvenile	0	8	7	1
Other civil	80	278	298	60
Criminal	44	189	200	33
Postconviction remedy	12	72	69	15
Administrative agency decision	17	37	50	4
Total Petitions for Review	**162**	**620**	**665**	**117**
Appeals				
Civil domestic	1	4	4	1
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	3	4	5	2
Juvenile	1	1	2	0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	1	1	1	1
Other civil	17	28	29	16
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	18	41	34	25
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death*	12	5	10	7
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment*	37	79	43	73
Other criminal	13	30	25	18
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	7	13	12	8
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	0	1	0	1
Administrative agency decision	5	13	7	11
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	4	7	5	6
Total Appeals	**119**	**227**	**177**	**169**
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) additional issues re dissent	2	12	14	0
Extraordinary writs	1	62	63	0
Advisory opinion	0	0	0	0
Rule amendments	6	28	34	0
Motions	0	837	837	0
Total Other Proceedings	**9**	**939**	**948**	**0**

*For fiscal 1984-85 (and for future years), refinements have been made as to the time at which criminal death and criminal life appeals are counted for statistical purposes as "pending" cases. As a result, there is a difference between the number of cases indicated as pending on the table above on July 1, 1984, and the number of cases given as pending on June 30, 1984 in last year's Annual Report.

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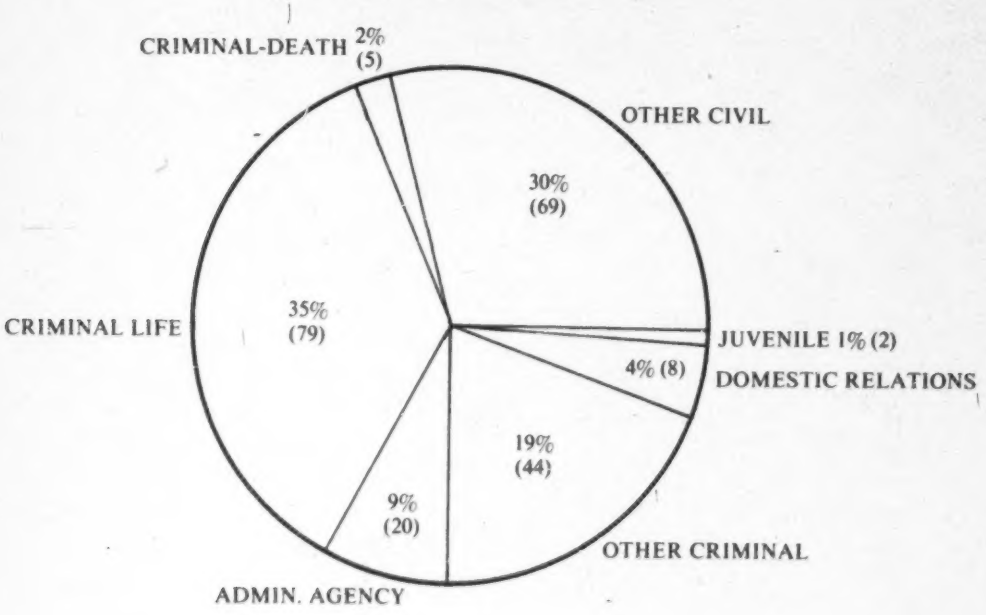

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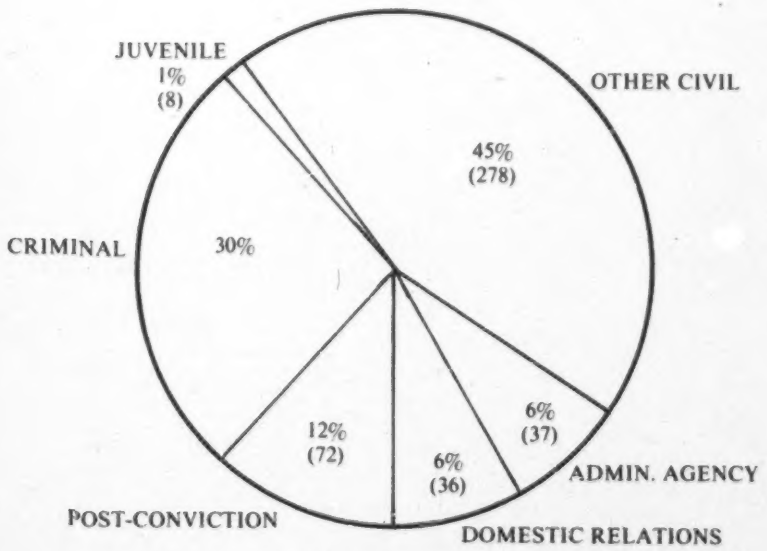


ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85
Supreme Court Caseload Types by Judicial District and Division
July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Total Cases	Death Cases	Life Cases	Other Criminal	Civil Cases	Other Cases	Cases Disposed
I	1	9	0	3	0	6	0	5
	2	4	1	1	2	0	0	2
	3A	7	1	1	2	1	0	2
	3B	7	0	3	0	3	1	5
	4	8	1	6	1	0	0	4
	5	7	2	0	2	3	0	4
	6	7	2	4	0	1	0	4
	7	9	1	3	1	3	1	2
	8	6	1	3	2	0	0	3
SUBTOTAL		**64**	**9**	**26**	**10**	**17**	**2**	**31**
II	9	3	2	0	0	1	0	2
	10	69	0	13	8	18	30	35
	11	7	0	2	2	3	0	2
	12	13	0	5	6	2	0	5
	13	4	2	1	1	0	0	0
	14	11	1	3	1	5	1	2
	15A	9	1	4	2	1	1	0
	15B	15	0	4	2	8	1	7
	16	11	3	2	3	2	1	3
SUBTOTAL		**142**	**9**	**34**	**25**	**40**	**34**	**56**
III	17A	4	1	0	2	1	0	2
	17B	3	1	0	1	1	0	3
	18	22	1	14	2	5	0	9
	19A	8	1	4	1	2	0	4
	19B	4	0	2	2	0	0	3
	20	8	0	3	1	4	0	4
	21	25	2	10	3	7	3	14
	22	10	2	3	3	1	1	4
	23	8	0	5	1	2	0	3
SUBTOTAL		**92**	**8**	**41**	**16**	**23**	**4**	**46**
IV	24	3	1	1	1	0	0	2
	25	12	0	6	3	3	0	4
	26	30	1	8	2	14	5	19
	27A	9	1	4	3	1	0	4
	27B	3	1	1	0	0	1	3
	28	18	0	8	4	6	0	2
	29	14	3	7	2	1	1	8
	30	8	0	4	1	3	0	2
SUBTOTAL		**97**	**7**	**39**	**16**	**28**	**7**	**44**
TOTALS		**395**	**33**	**140**	**67**	**108**	**47**	**177**

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

Submission of Cases Reaching Decision Stage
July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

Cases Argued	
Civil	87
Criminal	100
Total cases argued	**187**
Submissions Without Argument	
By motion of the parties (Appellate Rule 30 (d))	17
By order of the Court (Appellate Rule 30 (f))	1
Total submissions without argument	**18**
Total Cases Reaching Decision Stage	**205**

Disposition of Petitions and Other Proceedings by the Supreme Court
July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

Petitions for Review	**Granted***	**Denied**	**Dismissed/ Withdrawn**	**Total Disposed**
Civil Domestic	6	35	0	41
Juvenile	1	6	0	7
Other Civil	54	242	2	298
Criminal	35	162	3	200
Postconviction Remedy	3	52	14	69
Administrative Agency Decision	12	37	1	50
Total Petitions for Review	**111**	**534**	**20**	**665**
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) — Additional Issues	8	6	0	14
Extraordinary Writs	22	41	0	63
Advisory Opinion				0
Rule Amendments				34
Motions				837
Total Other Proceedings				**948**

*"GRANTED" includes orders allowing relief without accepting the case as a full appeal.

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals With Published Opinion

Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	3	1	1	1	0	6
Juvenile	0	2	0	0	0	2
Other civil	12	7	9	30	0	58
Criminal (death sentence)	9	0	0	0	0	9
Criminal (life sentence)	36	0	1	4	1	42
Other criminal	6	0	2	9	0	17
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	4	1	0	3	0	8
DWI	6	0	0	1	0	7
Totals	**76**	**11**	**13**	**38**	**1**	**149**

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals with Per Curiam Decision

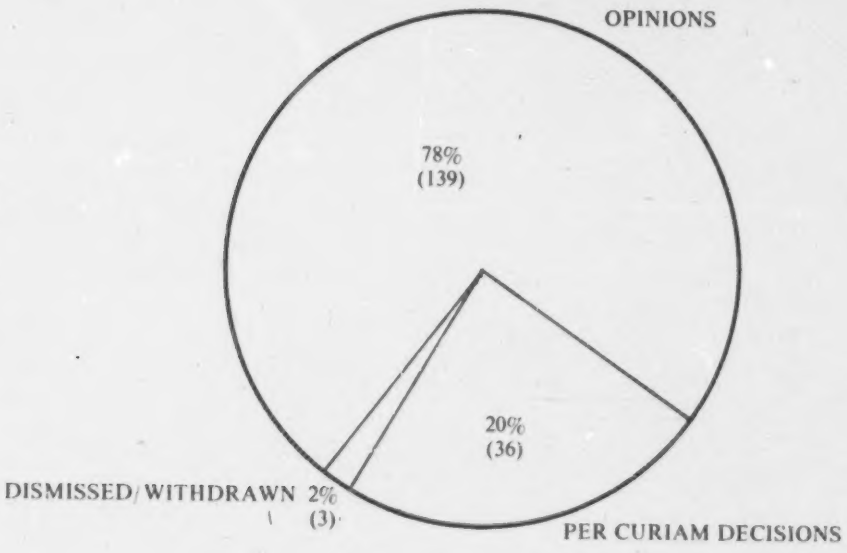
Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	2	1	0	0	0	3
Juvenile	1	0	0	0	0	1
Other civil	10	1	0	2	0	13
Criminal (death sentence)	0	0	0	1	0	1
Criminal (life sentence)	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other criminal	12	0	0	0	1	13
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	3	0	0	1	0	4
Totals	**28**	**2**	**0**	**5**	**1**	**36**

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals by Dismissal or Withdrawal

Case Types	Dismissed or Withdrawn
Civil domestic	0
Juvenile	0
Other Civil	2
Criminal (death sentence)	0
Criminal (life sentence)	0
Other criminal	1
Post-conviction remedy	0
Administrative agency decision	0
Totals	**3**

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN FISCAL YEAR 1984-85

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF APPEALS IN THE SUPREME COURT
July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985



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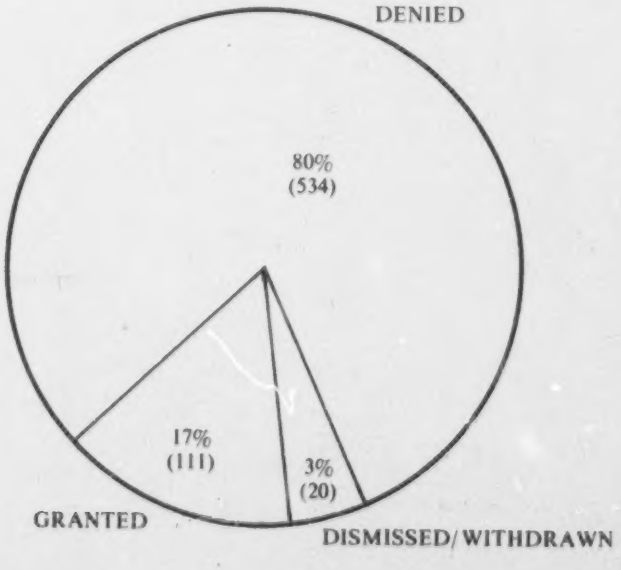
JULY 1, 1984-June 30, 1985



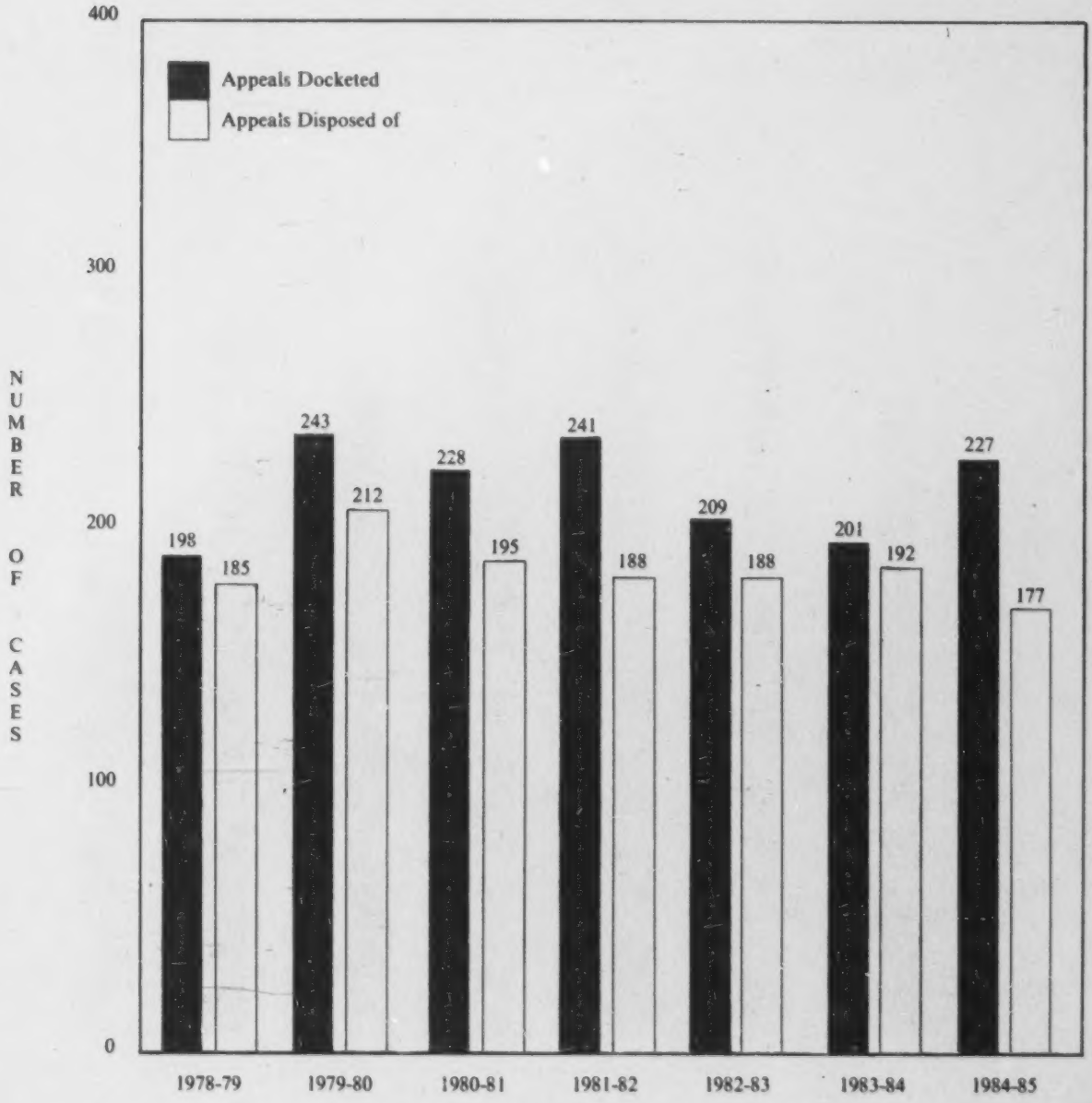
Number of Supreme Court Pending Cases By Status and Age as of June 30, 1985

	Not Ready for Oral Argument or Submission															
	Awaiting Record* (Pre-Docketing) (from cognizance)			Awaiting Appellant's Brief (from docketing)			Awaiting Appellee's Brief (from docketing)			Ready for Oral Argument (from docketing)			Pending Decision (Argued) (from date argued)			Total Pending Cases
Case Types	0-60 Days	61-150 Days	>150 Days	0-20 Days	21-40 Days	>40 Days	0-40 Days	41-60 Days	>60 Days	0-60 Days	61-90 Days	>90 Days	0-90 Days	91-150 Days	>150 Days	
Civil domestic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3
Juvenile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Other civil	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	4	1	2	5	2	8	6	10	41
Criminal (death sentence)	2	6	8	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	23
Criminal (life sentence)	11	7	6	1	2	7	1	7	7	1	1	13	21	6	6	97
Other criminal	0	0	0	3	1	1	1	4	0	2	1	0	6	5	1	25
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Administrative agency decision	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	3	4	17
Total Appeals	**13**	**13**	**14**	**7**	**4**	**11**	**3**	**15**	**9**	**8**	**7**	**17**	**41**	**23**	**23**	**208**

*A status of Awaiting Record is applicable only in cases in which the defendant was sentenced to death or life imprisonment.

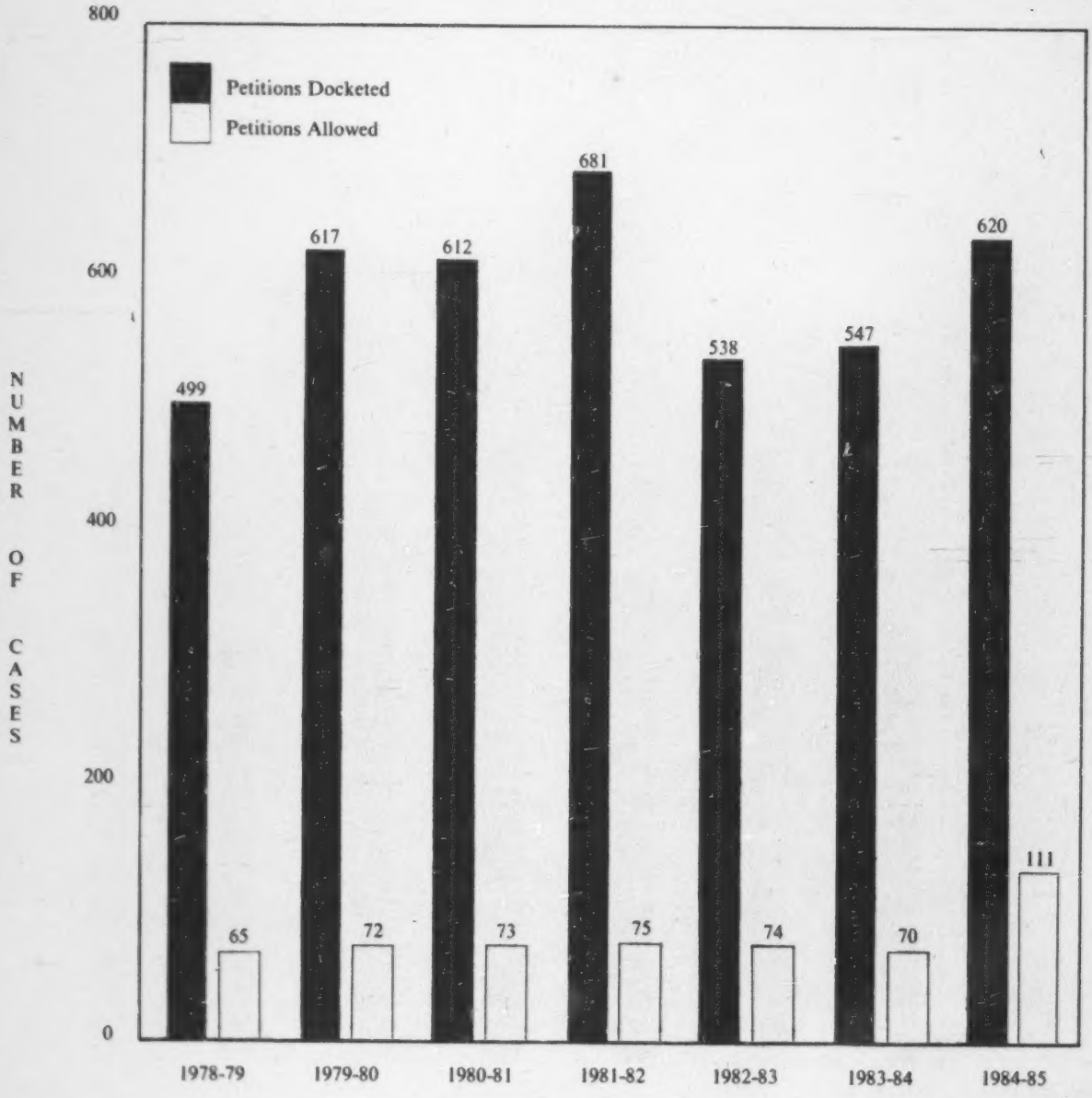
NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Appeals Docketed and Disposed of During the Years, 1978-79—1984-85



NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Petitions Docketed and Allowed During the Years, 1978-79—1984-85



Supreme Court Processing Time for Disposed Cases (Total time in days from docketing to decision) July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

	Number of Cases	(Days) Median	(Days) Mean
Civil domestic	4	—	156.5
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	5	235	249.6
Juvenile	2	—	285.5
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	1	372	372.0
Other civil	29	221	241.2
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	31	181	257.1
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	10	302	307.4
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	43	234	256.2
Other criminal	18	161	176.4
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	12	145	181.4
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	0	—	—
Administrative agency decision	7	200	176.6
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	5	152	146.6
Driving while impaired	7	104	108.9
Total appeals	**177**	**215**	**229.6**

THE COURT OF APPEALS OF NORTH CAROLINA*

Chief Judge
R.A. HEDRICK

Judges

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JOHN WEBB
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*As of 30 June 1985

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The Court of Appeals

The 12-judge Court of Appeals is North Carolina's intermediate appellate court; it hears a majority of the appeals originating from the State's trial courts. The Court regularly sits in Raleigh, and it may sit in other locations in the State as authorized by the Supreme Court. Sessions outside of Raleigh have not been regular or frequent. Judges of the Court of Appeals are elected by popular vote for eight-year terms. A Chief Judge for the Court is designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and serves in that capacity at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

Cases are heard by panels of three judges, with the Chief Judge responsible for assigning members of the Court to the four panels. Insofar as practicable, each judge is to be assigned to sit a substantially equal number of times with each other judge. The Chief Judge presides over the panel of which he or she is a member and designates a presiding judge for the other panels.

One member of the Court of Appeals, designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, serves as chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

Jurisdiction

The bulk of the caseload of the Court of Appeals consists of cases appealed from the trial courts. The Court also hears appeals directly from the Industrial Commission; certain final orders or decisions of the North Carolina State Bar; and the Commissioner of Insurance; the State Board of Contract Appeals; and appeals from certain final orders or decisions of the Property Tax Commission. (Appeals from the decisions of other administrative agencies lie first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.)

In the event of a recommendation from the Judicial Standards Commission to censure or remove from office a justice of the Supreme Court, the (non-binding) recommendation would be considered by the Chief Judge and the six judges next senior in service on the Court of Appeals (excluding the judge who serves as the Commission's chairman). Such seven-member panel would have sole jurisdiction to act upon the Commission's recommendation.

Expenses of the Court, 1984-85

Operating expenses of the Court of Appeals during the 1984-85 fiscal year totalled $2,518,083, an increase of 11.4% over 1983-84 expenditures of $2,260,654. Expenditures for the Court of Appeals during 1984-85 amounted to 2.0% of all General Fund expenditures for operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year. This percentage share of the total is 0.2% less than the Court of Appeals' percentage share of the Judicial Department total in the 1983-84 fiscal year.

Case Data, 1984-85

A total of 1,375 appealed cases were filed before the Court of Appeals during the period July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985. A total of 1,464 cases were disposed of during the same period. During 1984-85, a total of 484 petitions and 2,051 motions were filed before the Court of Appeals.

Further detail on the workload of the Court of Appeals is shown in the tables and graph on the following pages.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

Cases on Appeal	Filings	Dispositions
Civil cases appealed from district courts	290	
Civil cases appealed from superior courts	485	
Civil cases appealed from administrative agencies	97	
Criminal cases appealed from superior courts	503	
Total	**1,375**	**1,464**
Petitions		
Allowed		91
Denied		371
Remanded		0
Total	**484**	**462**
Motions		
Allowed		1,620
Denied		379
Remanded		1
Total	**2,051**	**2,000**
Total Cases on Appeal, Petitions and Motions	**3,910**	**3,926**

INVENTORY OF CASES APPEALED TO THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Cases Filed			Other Appeals	Total Cases Filed	Total Cases Disposed
		Appeals from District Courts	Appeals from Superior Court				
			Civil	Criminal			
I	1	5	15	7	0	27	22
	2	2	7	14	0	23	27
	3	7	15	17	0	39	50
	4	9	6	20	0	35	53
	5	7	12	27	0	46	37
	6	1	5	14	0	20	20
	7	7	10	13	0	30	25
	8	7	10	32	0	49	43
II	9	3	9	4	0	16	16
	10	24	75	20	96	215	199
	11	5	7	13	0	25	33
	12	11	17	44	0	72	61
	13	3	6	6	0	15	22
	14	14	16	20	0	50	54
	15A/B*	10	16	22	0	48	67
	16	4	3	12	0	19	31
III	17A/B*	5	7	7	0	19	23
	18	28	28	17	1	74	83
	19A/B*	9	9	22	0	40	55
	20	12	20	15	0	47	48
	21	28	24	24	0	76	77
	22	15	21	11	0	47	62
	23	8	17	14	0	39	27
IV	24	1	7	7	0	15	17
	25	10	17	14	0	41	55
	26	26	46	40	0	112	96
	27A/B*	9	12	21	0	42	55
	28	3	17	12	0	32	50
	29	12	19	10	0	41	32
	30	5	12	4	0	21	24
Totals		**290**	**485**	**503**	**97**	**1,375**	**1,464**

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CASES BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

		Cases Disposed by Written Opinion					
Judicial Division	Judicial District	Cases Affirmed	Cases Reversed	Cases Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	Total Cases by Written Opinion	Other Cases Disposed	Total Cases Disposed
I	1	11	5	2	18	4	22
	2	23	4	0	27	0	27
	3	31	12	1	44	6	50
	4	37	9	5	51	2	53
	5	18	9	4	31	6	37
	6	18	2	0	20	0	20
	7	13	11	1	25	0	25
	8	32	5	3	40	3	43
II	9	6	7	1	14	2	16
	10	118	35	13	166	33	199
	11	22	11	0	33	0	33
	12	42	15	2	59	2	61
	13	18	2	1	21	1	22
	14	30	13	7	50	4	54
	15A/B*	41	15	8	64	3	67
	16	24	4	3	31	0	31
III	17A/B*	12	5	3	20	3	23
	18	51	20	6	77	6	83
	19A/B*	32	14	4	50	5	55
	20	31	11	1	43	5	48
	21	46	17	6	69	8	77
	22	41	14	3	58	4	62
	23	18	7	1	26	1	27
IV	24	12	4	0	16	1	17
	25	30	16	0	46	9	55
	26	58	16	9	83	13	96
	27A/B*	28	15	4	47	8	55
	28	31	14	2	47	3	50
	29	22	4	4	30	2	32
	30	12	6	2	20	4	24
Totals		**908**	**322**	**96**	**1,326**	**138**	**1,464**

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

INVENTORY OF MOTIONS AND PETITIONS BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS

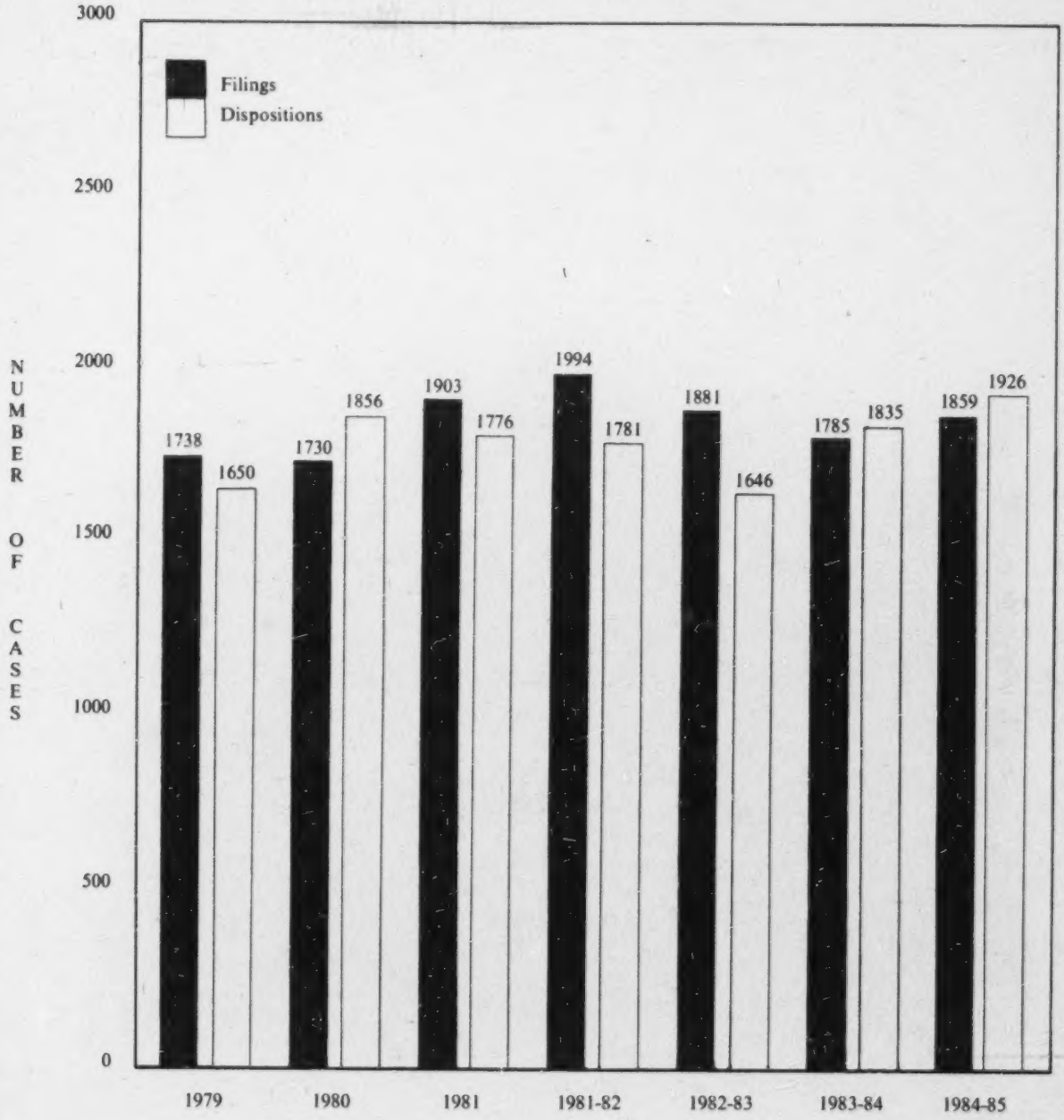
July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Motions Filed	Petitions Filed	Total Filed	Motions Disposed			Petitions Disposed			Total Disposed
					Allowed	Denied	Remanded	Allowed	Denied	Remanded	
I	1	32	15	47	22	9	0	7	8	0	**46**
	2	37	6	43	26	9	0	0	6	0	**41**
	3	95	17	112	77	13	0	6	11	0	**107**
	4	77	11	88	59	17	0	2	8	0	**86**
	5	92	19	111	79	8	0	5	12	0	**104**
	6	39	12	51	38	1	0	1	11	0	**51**
	7	41	21	62	37	4	0	7	13	0	**61**
	8	62	20	82	53	9	0	5	14	0	**81**
II	9	12	11	23	11	1	0	1	10	0	**23**
	10	298	74	372	221	71	1	9	60	0	**362**
	11	40	6	46	34	6	0	5	1	0	**46**
	12	72	21	93	61	8	0	2	17	0	**88**
	13	40	3	43	34	5	0	0	3	0	**42**
	14	101	17	118	80	20	0	3	13	0	**116**
	15A/B*	82	20	102	69	11	0	4	15	0	**99**
	16	26	16	42	20	4	0	1	15	0	**40**
III	17A/B*	29	5	34	24	5	0	0	5	0	**34**
	18	101	35	136	78	20	0	8	26	0	**132**
	19A/B*	58	13	71	52	6	0	1	11	0	**70**
	20	29	11	40	23	5	0	0	11	0	**39**
	21	95	27	122	74	22	0	6	21	0	**123**
	22	53	4	57	40	12	0	0	4	0	**56**
	23	40	6	46	30	8	0	2	3	0	**43**
IV	24	21	2	23	13	6	0	0	2	0	**21**
	25	80	19	99	53	24	0	1	18	0	**96**
	26	153	39	192	125	23	0	8	27	0	**183**
	27A/B	79	12	91	62	12	0	3	9	0	**86**
	28	73	6	79	55	14	0	2	3	0	**74**
	29	46	11	57	32	16	0	1	10	0	**59**
	30	48	5	53	38	10	0	1	4	0	**53**
TOTALS		**2,051**	**484**	**2,535**	**1,620**	**379**	**1**	**91**	**371**	**0**	**2,462**

*Combined totals for Districts 15A and 15B, Districts 17A and 17B, Districts 19A and 19B, and Districts 27A and 27B are shown. Separate figures for these districts were not available.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

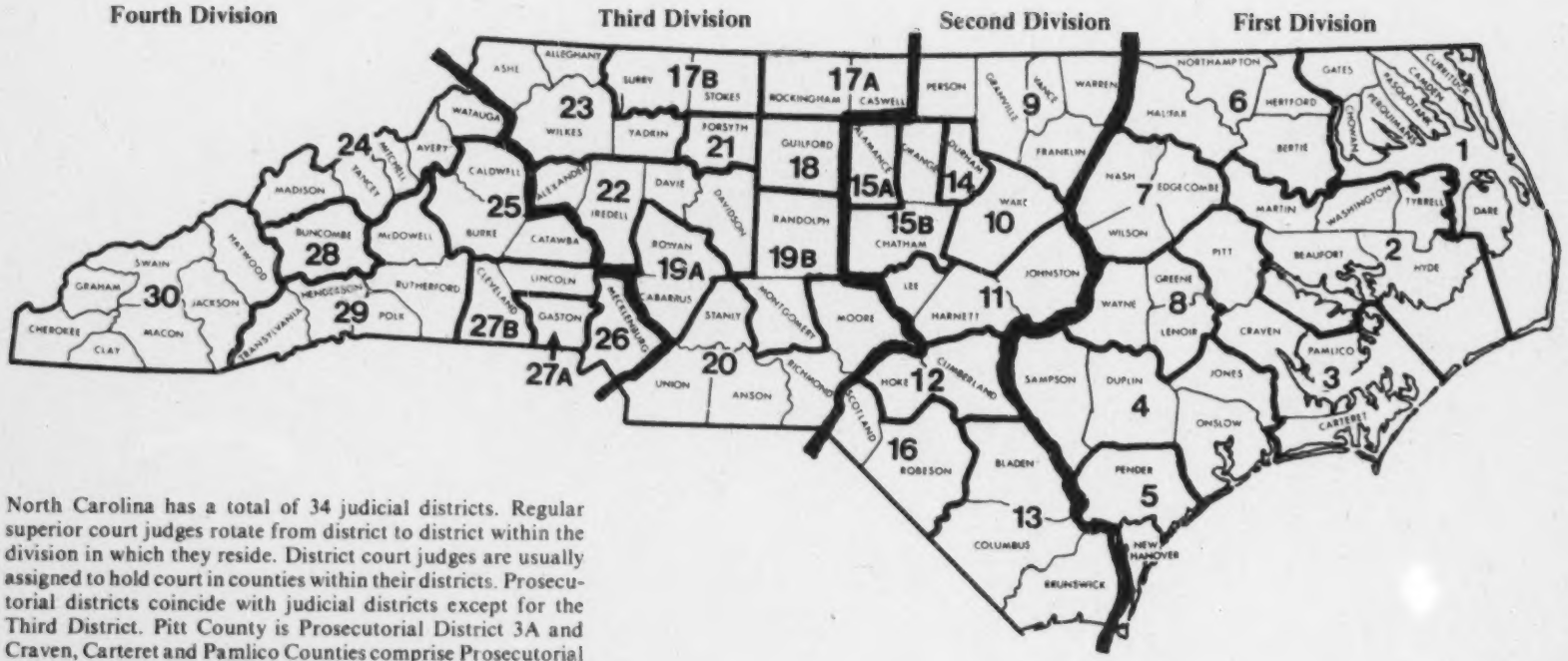
FISCAL YEARS 1979 THROUGH 1984-85



Filings and dispositions in this graph include appealed cases and petitions (not motions) in the Court of Appeals. During 1983-84, dispositions exceeded filings for the first time since 1980.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

North Carolina Judicial Districts and Divisions



North Carolina has a total of 34 judicial districts. Regular superior court judges rotate from district to district within the division in which they reside. District court judges are usually assigned to hold court in counties within their districts. Prosecutorial districts coincide with judicial districts except for the Third District. Pitt County is Prosecutorial District 3A and Craven, Carteret and Pamlico Counties comprise Prosecutorial District 3B. Hence, there are 35 prosecutorial districts but only 34 judicial districts.

JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT*
(As of June 30, 1985)

FIRST DIVISION

District	
1	J. Herbert Small, Elizabeth City Thomas S. Watts, Elizabeth City
2	William C. Griffin, Jr., Williamston
3	David E. Reid, Jr., Greenville Herbert O. Phillips, III, Morehead City
4	Henry L. Stevens, III, Kenansville James R. Strickland, Jacksonville
5	Bradford Tillery, Wilmington Napoleon B. Barefoot, Wilmington
6	Richard B. Allsbrook, Roanoke Rapids
7	Franklin R. Brown, Tarboro Charles B. Winberry, Rocky Mount
8	James D. Llewellyn, Kinston Paul M. Wright, Goldsboro

SECOND DIVISION

9	Robert H. Hobgood, Louisburg Henry H. Hight, Jr., Henderson
10	James H. Pou Bailey, Raleigh Henry V. Barnett, Jr., Raleigh Robert L. Farmer, Raleigh Edwin S. Preston, Jr., Raleigh
11	Wiley F. Bowen, Dunn
12	Darius B. Herring, Jr., Fayetteville Coy E. Brewer, Jr., Fayetteville Edwin L. Johnson, Fayetteville
13	Giles R. Clark, Elizabethtown
14	Thomas H. Lee, Durham Anthony M. Brannon, Bahama James M. Read, Durham
15A	D. Marsh McLelland, Burlington
15B	F. Gordon Battle, Chapel Hill
16	B. Craig Ellis, Laurinburg

THIRD DIVISION

District	
17A	Melzer A. Morgan, Jr., Wentwerth
17B	James M. Long, Pilot Mountain
18	W. Douglas Albright, Greensboro Edward K. Washington, High Point Thomas W. Ross, Greensboro Joseph John, Greensboro
19A	Thomas W. Seay, Jr., Spencer James C. Davis, Concord
19B	Russell G. Walker, Jr., Asheboro
20	F. Fetzer Mills, Wadesboro William H. Helms, Wingate
21	William Z. Wood, Winston-Salem Judson D. DeRamus, Jr., Winston-Salem William H. Freeman, Winston-Salem
22	Robert A. Collier, Jr., Statesville C. Preston Cornelius, Morresville
23	Julius A. Rousseau, Jr., North Wilkesboro

FOURTH DIVISION

24	Charles C. Lamm, Jr., Boone
25	Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory Claude S. Sitton, Morganton
26	Frank W. Snepp, Jr., Charlotte Robert M. Burroughs, Charlotte Kenneth A. Griffin, Charlotte William T. Grist, Charlotte Chase B. Saunders, Charlotte
27A	Robert W. Kirby, Cherryville Robert E. Gaines, Gastonia
27B	John R. Friday, Lincolnton
28	Robert D. Lewis, Asheville C. Walter Allen, Asheville
29	Hollis M. Owens, Jr., Rutherfordton
30	James U. Downs, Franklin Joseph A. Pachnowski, Bryson City

*In districts with more than one resident judge, the senior resident judge is listed first.

SPECIAL JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

James A. Beaty, Jr., Winston-Salem
John B. Lewis, Jr., Farmville
Mary M. Pope, Southern Pines
Donald L. Smith, Raleigh
Fred J. Williams, Durham
Donald W. Stephens, Raleigh
Janet M. Hyatt, Waynesville
Lamar Gudger, Asheville

EMERGENCY JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., Lumberton
Samuel E. Britt, Lumberton
Hal H. Walker, Asheboro

The Conference of Superior Court Judges
(Officers as of June 30, 1985)

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Bradford Tillery, Wilmington, *President-Elect*

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Secretary-Treasurer

D.B. Herring, Jr., Fayetteville, and William Z. Wood, Winston-Salem, *Additional Executive Committee Members*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The Superior Courts

North Carolina's superior courts are the general jurisdiction trial courts for the state. In 1984-85, there were 64 "resident" superior court judges elected to office in the 34 judicial districts for eight-year-terms by Statewide ballot. In addition, eight "special" superior court judges are appointed by the Governor for four-year terms.

Jurisdiction

The superior court has original jurisdiction in all felony cases and in those misdemeanor cases which originate by grand jury indictment. (Most misdemeanors are tried first in the district court, from which conviction may be appealed to the superior court for trial *de novo* by a jury. No trial by jury is available for criminal cases in district court.) The superior court is the proper court for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy exceeds $10,000, and it has jurisdiction over appeals from administrative agencies except the Industrial Commission, certain rulings of the Commissioner of Insurance, the Board of Bar Examiners of the North Carolina State Bar, the Board of State Contract Appeals, and the Property Tax Commission. Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Regardless of the amount in controversy, the original civil jurisdiction of the superior court does not include domestic relations cases, which are heard in the district courts, or probate and estates matters and certain special proceedings heard first by the clerk of superior court. Rulings of the clerk are within the appellate jurisdiction of the superior court.

Administration

The 100 counties of North Carolina were grouped into 34 judicial districts during 1984-85. Each district has at least one resident superior court judge who has certain administrative responsibilities for his home district, such as providing for civil case calendaring procedures. (Criminal case calendars are prepared by the district attorneys.) In districts with more than one resident superior court judge, the judge senior in service on the superior court bench exercises these supervisory powers.

The judicial districts are grouped into four divisions for the rotation of superior court judges, as shown on the map on Page 31. Within the division, a resident superior court judge is required to rotate among the judicial districts, holding court for at least six months in each, then moving on to his next assignment. A special superior court judge may be assigned to hold court in any of the 100 counties. Assignments of all superior court judges are made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Under the Constitution of North Carolina, at least two sessions (a week each) of superior court are held annually in each of the 100 counties. The vast majority of counties have more than the constitutional minimum of two weeks of superior court annually. Many larger counties have superior court in session about every week in the year.

Expenditures

A total of $12,986,659 was expended on the operations of the superior courts during the 1984-85 fiscal year. This included the salaries and travel expenses for the 72 superior court judges, and salaries and expense for court reporters and secretarial staff for superior court judges. The 1984-85 expenditures for the superior courts amounted to 10.6% of total General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department during the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Caseload

Including both civil and criminal cases, a total of 85,569 cases were filed in the superior courts during 1984-85, an increase of 5,011 cases (6.2%) from the total of 80,558 cases that were filed in 1983-84. There were increases in filings for civil cases and for misdemeanor appeals, while filings for felonies decreased.

Superior court case dispositions increased from 80,290 in 1983-84 to 84,334 in 1984-85. There were increases in the number of dispositions for civil cases and for misdemeanor appeals, while dispositions for felonies decreased.

More detailed information on the flow of cases through the superior courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*
(As of June 30, 1985)

District	
1	John T. Chaffin, Elizabeth City Grafton G. Beaman, Elizabeth City John R. Parker, Manteo
2	Hallett S. Ward, Washington Samuel G. Grimes, Washington James W. Hardison, Wiliamston
3	E. Burt Aycock, Jr., Greenville J. Randal Hunter, New Bern Willie L. Lumpkin, III, Morehead City James E. Martin, Bethel James E. Ragan, Oriental H. Horton Rountree, Greenville
4	Kenneth W. Turner, Rose Hill William M. Cameron, Jr., Jacksonville Walter P. Henderson, Trenton James N. Martin, Clinton Stephen M. Williamson, Kenansville
5	Gilbert H. Burnett, Wilmington Jacqueline Morris-Goodson, Wilmington Charles E. Rice, III, Wilmington Elton Glenn Tucker, Wilmington
6	Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids Harold P. McCoy, Scotland Neck Robert E. Williford, Lewiston
7	George Britt, Tarboro Allen W. Harrell, Wilson Quentin T. Sumner, Rocky Mount Albert S. Thomas, Jr., Wilson
8	J. Patrick Exum, Kinston Kenneth R. Ellis, Fremont Rodney R. Goodman, Kinston Arnold O. Jones, Goldsboro Joseph E. Setzer, Jr., Goldsboro
9	Claude W. Allen, Jr., Oxford Ben U. Allen, Jr., Henderson J. Larry Senter, Franklinton Charles W. Wilkinson, Oxford
10	George F. Bason, Raleigh Stafford G. Bullock, Raleigh Narley L. Cashwell, Apex William A. Creech, Raleigh George R. Greene, Raleigh Louis W. Payne, Jr., Raleigh Philip O. Redwine, Raleigh Russell G. Sherrill, III, Raleigh
11	Elton C. Pridgen, Smithfield William Christian, Sanford K. Edward Greene, Dunn Edward H. McCormick, Lillington
12	Sol. G. Cherry, Fayetteville Charles Lee Guy, Fayetteville Lacy S. Hair, Fayetteville Anna E. Keever, Fayetteville Warren L. Pate, Raeford Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Fayetteville
13	William C. Gore, Jr., Whiteville Lee Greer, Jr., Long Beach Jerry A. Jolly, Tabor City Robert W. Long, Shallotte
14	David Q. LaBarre, Durham Karen B. Galloway, Durham Orlando F. Hudson, Jr., Durham Richard Chaney, Durham
15A	J. B. Allen, Jr., Burlington W. S. Harris, Jr., Graham James K. Washburn, Burlington
15B	Stanley Peele, Chapel Hill Patricia S. Hunt, Chapel Hill Donald L. Paschal, Siler City
16	John S. Gardner, Lumberton Adelaide G. Behan, Lumberton Charles G. McLean, Lumberton Herbert L. Richardson, Lumberton
17A	Peter M. McHugh, Reidsville Robert R. Blackwell, Reidsville
17B	Foy Clark, Mount Airy Jerry Cash Martin, Mount Airy
18	Thomas G. Foster, Jr., Greensboro Sherry F. Alloway, Greensboro Robert E. Bencini, Jr., High Point William L. Daisy, Greensboro William K. Hunter, High Point Edmund Lowe, High Point J. Bruce Morton, Greensboro Paul T. Williams, Greensboro
19A	Robert L. Warren, Concord Adam C. Grant, Jr., Concord Clarence E. Horton, Jr., Kannapolis Frank M. Montgomery, Salisbury

*The Chief District Court Judge for each district is listed first.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*
(As of June 30, 1985)

District	
19B	L.T. Hammond, Jr., Asheboro William M. Neely, Asheboro
20	Donald R. Huffman, Wadesboro Michael E. Beale, Southern Pines Ronald W. Burris, Albemarle Kenneth W. Honneycutt, Monroe W. Reece Saunders, Jr., Rockingham
21	Abner Alexander, Winston-Salem Lynn Burleson, Winston-Salem Joseph J. Gatto, Winston-Salem James A. Harrill, Jr., Winston-Salem Roland H. Hayes, Winston-Salem Robert Kason Keiger, Winston-Salem
22	Lester P. Martin, Jr., Mocksville Samuel A. Cathey, Statesville George T. Fuller, Lexington Robert W. Johnson, Statesville
23	Samuel L. Osborne, Wilkesboro Max F. Ferree, Wilkesboro Edgar B. Gregory, Wilkesboro
24	Robert H. Lacey, Newland Charles P. Ginn, Boone R. Alexander Lyerly, Banner Elk
25	Livingston Vernon, Morganton Edward H. Blair, Jr., Lenoir Daniel R. Green, Jr., Hickory L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory Samuel McD. Tate, Morganton
26	James E. Lanning, Charlotte Marilyn R. Bissell, Charlotte L. Stanley Brown, Charlotte Daphene L. Cantrell, Charlotte Richard A. Elkins, Charlotte Resa L. Harris, Charlotte Robert P. Johnston, Charlotte William G. Jones, Charlotte Theodore P. Matus, II, Charlotte William H. Scarborough, Charlotte W. Terry Sherrill, Charlotte
27A	J. Ralph Phillips, Gastonia Berlin H. Carpenter, Jr., Gastonia Lawrence B. Langson, Gastonia Donald E. Ramseur, Gastonia
27B	George W. Hamrick, Shelby James T. Bowen, Lincolnton John M. Gardner, Shelby
28	William Marion Styles, Black Mountain Earl J. Fowler, Jr., Arden Robert L. Harrell, Asheville Peter L. Roda, Asheville
29	Robert T. Gash, Brevard Loto J. Greenlee, Marion Zoro J. Guice, Jr., Hendersonville Thomas N. Hix, Hendersonville
30	Robert Leatherwood, III, Bryson City John J. Snow, Jr., Murphy Danny E. Davis, Waynesville

The Association of District Court Judges
(Officers as of June 30, 1985)

Abner Alexander, Winston-Salem, *President*

E. Burt Aycock, Jr., Greenville, *Vice President*

Earl J. Fowler, Arden, *Secretary-Treasurer*

George M. Britt, Tarboro
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L. T. Hammond, Jr., Asheboro
L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory
Additional Executive Committee Members

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ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The District Courts

North Carolina's district courts are trial courts with original jurisdiction of the overwhelming majority of the cases handled by the State's court system. There were 146 district court judges serving in 34 judicial districts during 1984-85. These judges are elected to four-year terms by the voters of their respective districts.

A total of 623 magistrate positions were authorized as of June 30, 1985. Of this number, about 100 positions were specified as part-time. Magistrates are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominations submitted by the clerk of superior court of their county, and they are supervised by the chief district court judge of their district.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the district court extends to virtually all misdemeanor cases, probable cause hearings in most felony cases, all juvenile proceedings, involuntary commitments and recommitments to mental hospitals, and domestic relations cases. The district courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior courts in general civil cases, but the district courts are the proper courts for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less. Upon the plaintiff's request, a civil case in which the amount in controversy is $1,500 or less, may be designated a "small claims" case and assigned by the chief district court judge to a magistrate for hearing. Magistrates are empowered to try worthless check criminal cases when the value of the check does not exceed $500. In addition, they may accept written appearances, waivers of trial, and pleas of guilty in such worthless check cases when the amount of the check is $500 or less, the offender has made restitution, and the offender has fewer than four previous worthless check convictions. Magistrates may accept waviers of appearance and pleas of guilty in traffic cases, and in boating, hunting and fishing violation cases,* for which a uniform schedule of fines has been adopted by the Conference of Chief District Judges. Magistrates also conduct initial hearings to fix conditions of release for arrested defendants, and they are empowered to issue arrest and search warrants.

Administration

A chief district judge is appointed for each judicial district by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from among the elected judges in the respective districts. Subject to the Chief Justice's general supervision, each chief judge exercises administrative supervision and authority over the operation of the district courts and magistrates in his district. Each chief judge is responsible for: scheduling sessions of district court and assigning judges; supervising the calendaring of noncriminal cases; assigning matters to magistrates; making arrangements for court reporting and jury trials in civil cases; and supervising the discharge of clerical functions in the district courts.

The chief district court judges meet in conference at least once a year upon the call of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Among other matters, this annual conference adopts a uniform schedule of traffic offenses and fines for their violation for use by magistrates and clerks of court in accepting defendants' waivers of appearance and guilty pleas.

The Conference of Chief District Court Judges
(Officers as of June 30, 1985)

Lester P. Martin, Jr., Mocksville, *Chairman*

Claude W. Allen, Jr., Oxford, Vice Chairman

Expenditures

Total expenditures for the operation of the district courts in 1984-85 amounted to $22,303,686. This is an increase of 12.4% over 1983-84 expenditures of $19,845,501. Included in this total are the personnel costs of court reporters and secretaries as well as the personnel costs of the 146 district court judges and approximately 623 magistrates. The 1984-85 total is 18.3% of the General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, a 0.8% decrease from the percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures that the district courts took for the 1983-84 fiscal year.

Caseload

During 1984-85 the statewide total number of district court filings (civil and criminal) increased 104,440 (7.2%) over the total number reported for 1983-84. Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the filing total in 1984-85 was 1,554,619. Most of this increase was attributable to inclusion, for the first time, of civil license revocation cases, which numbered 58,093 filings during 1984-85. There were increases in filings in all other case categories as well, with the non-motor vehicle criminal case category registering the major increase: 29,754 cases (7.7%) more than the number of non-motor vehicle criminal cases in 1983-84.

More detailed information on district court civil and criminal caseloads and on juvenile case activity is contained in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
(As of June 30, 1985)

District	
1	H. P. WILLIAMS, JR., Elizabeth City
2	MITCHELL D. NORTON, Washington
3A	THOMAS D. HAIGWOOD, Greenville
3B	WILLIAM D. McFADYEN, New Bern
4	WILLIAM H. ANDREWS, Jacksonville
5	JERRY L. SPIVEY, Wilmington
6	DAVID H. BEARD, JR., Murfreesboro
7	HOWARD S. BONEY, JR., Tarboro
8	DONALD JACOBS, Goldsboro
9	DAVID R. WATERS, Oxford
10	J. RANDOLPH RILEY, Raleigh
11	JOHN W. TWISDALE, Smithfield
12	EDWARD W. GRANNIS, JR., Fayetteville
13	MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Whiteville
14	RONALD L. STEPHENS, Durham
15A	GEORGE E. HUNT, Graham
15B	CARL R. FOX, Carrboro
16	JOE FREEMAN BRITT, Lumberton
17A	PHILIP W. ALLEN, Wentworth
17B	HAROLD D. BOWMAN, Dobson
18	D. LAMAR DOWDA, Greensboro
19A	JAMES E. ROBERTS, Kannapolis
19B	GARLAND N. YATES, Asheboro
20	CARROLL LOWDER, Monroe
21	DONALD K. TISDALE, Clemmons
22	H. W. ZIMMERMAN, JR., Lexington
23	MICHAEL A. ASHBURN, North Wilkesboro
24	JAMES THOMAS RUSHER, Marshall
25	ROBERT E. THOMAS, Newton
26	PETER S. GILCHRIST, Charlotte
27A	JOSEPH G. BROWN, Gastonia
27B	THOMAS M. SHUFORD, Jr., Lincolnton
28	RONALD C. BROWN, Asheville
29	ALAN C. LEONARD, Rutherfordton
30	MARCELLUS BUCHANAN, III, Sylva

The District Attorneys Association
(Officers as of June 30, 1985)

William H., Andrews, Jacksonville, *President*

David R. Waters, Oxford, *Vice President*

Edward W. Grannis, Fayetteville, *Vice President for Legislative Affairs*

Mike Nifong, Durham, *Secretary-Treasurer*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The *District Attorneys*

The State is divided into 35 prosecutorial districts which, with one exception, correspond to the 34 judicial districts. By act of the 1981 Session of the General Assembly, the 3rd Judicial District was divided into two separate prosecutorial districts, Prosecutorial Districts 3A and 3B, effective October 1, 1981. Prosecutorial District 3A consists of Pitt County, and Prosecutorial District 3B is comprised of Craven, Carteret, and Pamlico (G.S. 7A-60). A district attorney is elected by the voters in each of the 35 districts for four-year terms.

Duties

The district attorney represents the State in all criminal actions brought in the superior and district courts in his district. In addition to his prosecutorial functions, the district attorney is responsible for calendaring criminal cases for trial.

Resources

Each district attorney may employ on a full-time basis the number of assistant district attorneys authorized by statute for his district. As of June 30, 1985, a total of 218 assistant district attorneys were authorized for the 35 prosecutorial districts. The district attorney of District 26 (Mecklenburg County) had the largest staff (19 assistants) and the district attorney of District 17B had the smallest staff (two assistants).

Each district attorney is authorized to employ an administrative assistant to aid in preparing casers for trial and to expedite the criminal court docket. The district attorney in 18 of the 35 districts is authorized to employ and investigatorial assistant who aids in the investigation of cases prior to trial, and in 10 districts, the district attorney is authorized to employ a witness coordinator.

1984-1985 Caseload

A total of 71,915 criminal cases were filed in the superior courts during 1984-85, consisting of 40,915 felony cases and 31,000 misdemeanor appeals from the district courts. The total number of filings in the superior courts (felonies and misdemeanors) in the previous year was 68,076. The increase of 3,839 cases in 1984-85 represents a 5.6% increase over the 1983-84 total.

Total criminal cases disposed of by the superior courts in 1984-85 amounted to 70,969. There were 40,603 felony dispositions; the number of misdemeanor cases disposed of was 30,366. Compared with 1983-84, total criminal case dispositions increased by 3,960 over the 67,009 cases disposed of in that fiscal year.

The median ages of 1984-85 criminal cases at disposition in the superior courts were 84 days for felony cases and 67 days for misdemeanor appeals. In 1983-84, the median age of felony cases at disposition was 80 days, and the median age at disposition for misdemeanor appeals was 65 days.

Dispositions by jury trial in the superior courts, for felonies and misdemeanors, totalled 3,577 cases, or 5.0% of total criminal case dispositions in the superior courts. This was an increase from jury dispositions of 3,505 (5.2% of total dispositions) during the 1983-84 year. As is evident, a very small proportion of all criminal cases utilize the great proportion of superior court time and resources required to handle the criminal caseload.

By contrast, in 1984-85 a majority (37,910 or 51.8%) of criminal case dispositions in superior courts were processed on submission of guilty pleas, not requiring a trial. This was close to the 55.1% of guilty plea dispositions reported for 1983-84.

"Dismissal by district attorney" accounted for a significant percentage of all dispositions during 1984-85; a total of 18,652 cases, or 26.0% of all dispositions. This proportion is comparable to that recorded for prior years. Many of the dismissals involved the situation of two or more cases pending against the same defendant, resulting in a plea bargain agreement where the defendant pleads guilty to some charges in exchange for a dismissal of others.

There was a decrease in the number of "Speedy Trial Act" dismissals in superior courts, from 82 in 1983-84 to 71 in 1984-85.

The total number of criminal cases disposed of in the superior courts was 946 cases less than the total number of cases filed in 1984-85. Consequently, the number of pending criminal cases in superior court increased from 22,303 at the beginning of the fiscal year to a total at year's end of 23,249, an increase of 4.2%.

The median age of *pending* felony cases in the superior courts decreased from 89 days on June 30, 1984 to 88 days on June 30, 1985. A decrease was also recorded for misdemeanor appeals, with the median age of pending misdemeanor appeals decreasing from 78 days on June 30, 1984 to 72 days on June 30, 1985.

In the district courts, a total of 1,184,528 criminal cases were filed during 1984-85. This total consisted of 771,994 motor vehicle criminal cases and 412,534 non-motor vehicle criminal cases. A comparison of total filings in 1984-85 with total filings (1,151,183) in 1983-84 reveals an increase in district court criminal filing activity of 33,345 cases or 2.9%. Filings in the motor vehicle case category rose by 3,591 cases, from 768,403 cases in 1983-84 to 771,994 cases in 1984-85, an increase of 0.5%. Filings in the non-motor vehicle case category rose by 29,754 cases (7.8%), from a total of 382,780 cases in 1983-84 to 412,534 cases in 1984-85.

Total dispositions in district courts during 1984-85 in the motor vehicle criminal case category amounted to 768,298 cases. As in prior years, a substantial portion (437,494 cases or 56.9%) was disposed of by waiver of appearance and entry of plea of guilty before a clerk or

magistrate. This substantial number of criminal cases did not, of course, require action by the district attorneys' offices and should not be regarded as having been a part of the district attorneys' caseload. The remaining 330,804 motor vehicle cases were disposed of by means other than a waiver. This balance was 10,852 cases, or 3.4% more then the 319,952 such dispositions in 1983-84. (The clerks of court no longer report motor vehicle criminal cases by case file number to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Only summary total number of filings and dispositions are reported. Therefore, it is not possible by computer-proessing to obtain pending case data for the motor vehicle criminal case category.)

With respect to non-motor vehicle criminal case dispositions, a total of 402,274 such cases were disposed of in district courts in 1984-85. As with superior court criminal cases, the most frequent method of disposition was by entry of guilty plea; the next most frequent was dismissal by the district attorney. Some 136,968 cases, or 37.3% of the dispositions were by guilty pleas. An additional 99,103 cases, or 27.0% of the total were disposed of by prosecutor dismissal. The remaining cases were disposed of by waiver (13.8%), trial (14.5%), or by other means (7.5%).

During 1984-85, the median age at disposition of non-motor vehicle criminal cases was 27 days, compared with 26 days at disposition for 1983-84.

Total non-motor vehicle criminal dispositions were 10,260 cases less than the total of such filings during 1984-85. The number of non-motor vehicle criminal cases pending at year's end was 66,929, compared with a total of 56,669 at the beginning of the year, an increase of 10,260 (18.1%) in the number of pending cases. The median age for pending non-motor vehicle cases rose from 44 days on June 30, 1984 to 48 days on June 30, 1985.

Additional information on the criminal caseloads in superior and district courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT
(As of June 30, 1985)

COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT
Alamance	Louise B. Wilson
Alexander	Seth Chapman
Alleghany	Joan B. Atwood
Anson	R. Frank Hightower
Ashe	Virginia W. Johnson
Avery	Robert F. Taylor
Beaufort	Thomas S. Payne, III
Bertie	John Tyler
Bladen	Hilda H. Coleman
Brunswick	K. Gregory Bellamy
Buncombe	J. Ray Elingburg
Burke	Major A. Joines
Cabarrus	Estus B. White
Caldwell	Jeanette Turner
Camden	Catherine W. McCoy
Carteret	Mary Austin
Caswell	Janet H. Cobb
Catawba	Eunice W. Mauney
Chatham	Janice Oldham
Cherokee	Rose Mary Crooke
Chowan	Marjorie H. Hollowell
Clay	R. L. Cherry
Cleveland	Ruth S. Dedmon
Columbus	Lacy R. Thompson
Craven	Dorothy Pate
Cumberland	George T. Griffin
Currituck	Wiley B. Elliot
Dare	Betty Mann
Davidson	Hugh Shepherd
Davie	Delores C. Jordan
Duplin	John A. Johnson
Durham	James Leo Carr
Edgecombe	Curtis Weaver
Forsyth	Frances P. Storey
Franklin	Ralph S. Knott
Gaston	Betty B. Jenkins
Gates	Frank L. Rice
Graham	O.W. Hooper, Jr.
Granville	Mary Ruth C. Nelms
Greene	Joyce L. Harrell
Guilford	James Lee Knight
Halifax	Ellen C. Neathery
Harnett	Georgia Lee Brown
Haywood	William G. Henry
Henderson	Thomas H. Thompson
Hertford	Richard T. Vann
Hoke	Juanita Edmund
Hyde	Lenora R. Bright
Iredell	Carl G. Smith
Jackson	Frank Watson, Jr.
Johnston	Will R. Crocker
Jones	Ronald H. Metts
Lee	Sion H. Kelly
Lenoir	Claude C. Davis
Lincoln	Nellie L. Bess
Macon	Lois S. Morris
Madison	James W. Cody
Martin	Phyllis G. Pearson
McDowell	Ruth B. Williams
Mecklenburg	Robert M. Blackburn
Mitchell	Arthur Ray Ledford
Montgomery	Charles M. Johnson
Moore	Rachel H. Comer
Nash	Rachel M. Joyner
New Hanover	Louise D. Rehder
Northampton	R. Jennings White, Jr.
Onslow	Everitte Barbee
Orange	Frank S. Frederick
Pamlico	Mary Jo Potter
Pasquotank	Frances W. Thompson
Pender	Frances N. Futch
Perquimans	W.J. Ward
Person	W. Thomas Humphries
Pitt	Sandra Gaskins
Polk	Judy P. Arledge
Randolph	John H. Skeen
Richmond	Miriam F. Greene
Robeson	Dixie I. Barrington
Rockingham	Frankie C. Williams
Rowan	Francis Glover
Rutherford	Joan M. Jenkins
Sampson	Charlie T. McCullen
Scotland	C. Whitfield Gibson, Jr.
Stanly	David R. Fisher
Stokes	Pauline Kirkman
Surry	David J. Beal
Swain	Sara Robinson
Transylvania	Marian M. McMahon
Tyrrell	Jessie L. Spencer
Union	Nola H. McCollum
Vance	Lucy Longmire
Wake	John. M. Kennedy
Warren	Richard E. Hunter, Jr.
Washington	Timothy L. Spear
Watauga	John T. Bingham
Wayne	David B. Brantly
Wilkes	Wayne Roope
Wilson	Nora H. Hargrove
Yadkin	Harold J. Long
Yancey	F. Warren Hughes

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The Clerks of Superior Court

A Clerk of Superior Court is elected for a four-year term by the voters in each of North Carolina's 100 counties. The Clerk has jurisdiction to hear and decide special proceedings and is, *ex officio*, judge of probate, in addition to performing record-keeping and administrative functions for both the superior and district courts of his county.

Jurisdiction

The original jurisdiction of the clerk of superior court includes the probate of wills and administration of decedents' estates. It also includes such "special proceedings" as adoptions, condemnations of private property under the public's right of eminent domain, proceedings to establish boundaries, foreclosures, and certain proceedings to administer the estates of minors and incompetent adults. The right of appeal from the clerks' judgments in such cases lies to the superior court.

The clerk of superior court is also empowered to issue search warrants and arrest warrants, subpoenas, and other process necessary to execute the judgments entered in the superior and district courts of his county. For certain misdemeanor criminal offenses, the clerk is authorized to accept defendants' waiver of appearance and plea of guilty and to impose a fine in accordance with a schedule established by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges.

Administration

The clerk of superior court performs administrative duties for both the superior and district courts of his county. Among these duties are the maintenance of court records and indexes, the control and accounting of funds, and the furnishing of information to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

In most counties, the clerk continues to perform certain functions related to preparation of civil case calendars, and in many counties, the clerk's staff assists the district attorney in preparing criminal case calendars as well. Policy and oversight responsibility for civil case calendaring is vested in the State's senior resident superior court judges and chief district court judges. However, day-to-day civil calendar preparation is the clerk's responsibility in all districts except those served by trial court administrators.

Expenditures

A total of $37,204,864 was expended in 1984-85 for the operation of the 100 clerk of superior court offices. In addition to the salaries and other expenses of the clerks and their staffs, this total includes expenditures for jurors' fees, and witness expenses.

Total expenditures for clerks' offices in 1984-85 amounted to 30.5% of the General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department.

1984-85 Caseload

During 1984-85, estate case filings totalled 40,733. This was an increase over the 39,477 cases filed in 1983-84. Estate case dispositions totalled 38,615 cases in 1984-86, or 3.2% more than the previous year's total of 39,872.

A total of 33,283 special proceedings was filed before the 100 clerks of superior court in 1984-85. This is a decrease of 2,638 cases (8.6%) from the 30,645 filings in the previous fiscal year. Special proceedings dispositions totalled 31,263 cases, or 7.8% more than the previous year's total of 29,007.

The clerks of superior court are also responsible for handling the records of all case filings and dispositions in the superior and district courts. The total number of superior court case filings during the 1984-85 year was 85,569 and the total number of district court filings, not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, was 1,554,619.

More detailed information on the estates and special proceedings caseloads is included in Part IV of this *Report*.

Association of Clerks of Superior Court
(Officers as of June 30, 1984)

Major Joines, Burke County,
President

David J. Beal, Surry County
First Vice President

John Johnson, Duplin County
Second Vice President

Frances W. Thompson, Pasquotank County
Secretary

James L. Carr, Durham County
Treasurer

Juvenile Services Division

The Juvenile Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts provides intake, probation and aftercare services to juveniles who are before the District Courts for delinquent matters, *i.e.*, violations of the criminal code, including motor vehicle violations; and for undisciplined matters, such as running away from home, being truant, and being beyond the parents' disciplinary control.

Intake is the screening of complaints alleging delinquent or undisciplined behavior by children, to determine whether petitions should be filed. During the 1984-85 year a total of 20,717 complaints were brought to the attention of intake counselors. Of this number, 12,273 (59.2%) were approved for filing, and 8,444 (40.8%) were not approved for filing.

Probation and aftercare refer to supervision of children in their own communities. Probation is authorized by judicial order. Aftercare service is provided for juveniles after their release from a training school. (Protective supervision is also a form of court-ordered supervision within the community; and this service is combined with probation and aftercare.)

In 1984-85 a total of 14,849 juveniles were supervised in the probation and aftercare program.

Expenditures

The Juvenile Services Division is State-funded. The expenditures for fiscal year 1984-85 totalled $8,507,967. This was an increase of 8.5% over the 1983-84 expenditures. The 1984-85 expenditures amounted to 7.0% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, close to the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures for the Division as in the previous fiscal year.

Administration

The Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division is appointed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts. A chief court counselor is appointed for each judicial district by the Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division, with the approval of the Chief District Court Judge and the Administrative Officer of the Courts. Subject to the Administrator's general supervision, each chief court counselor exercises administrative supervision over the operation of the court counseling services in the respective districts.

Juvenile Services Division Staff
(As of June 30, 1985)

Thomas A. Danek, *Administrator*

Edward F. Taylor, *Assistant Administrator*

John T. Wilson, *Program Supervisor*

Jennie E. Cannon, *Education Coordinator*

Juvenile Services Division
(As of June 30, 1985)

Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors	Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors
1	Robert Hendrix	16	Robert Hughes
2	Joseph Paul	17A and 17B	Martha Lauten
3	Eve C. Rogers	18	J. Manley Dodson
4	Ida Ray Miles	19A and 19B	James Queen
5	William T. Childs	20	Jimmy Craig
6	John R. Brady	21	James J. Weakland
7	Nancy C. Patteson	22	Carl T. Duncan
8	Lynn C. Sasser	23	Wayne C. Dixon
9	Tommy Lewis	24	Lynn Hughes
10	Larry C. Dix	25	Lee Cox
11	Henry C. Cox	26	James Yancey
12	Phil T. Utley	27A	Yvonne Hall
13	Jimmy Godwin	27B	Gloria Newman
14	Fred Elkins	28	Louis Parrish
15A	Harry Derr	29	Kenneth Lanning
15B	Harold Rogerson	30	Betty G. Alley

THE COURT COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION
(Officers for 1984-85)

Executive Committee Members

James J. Weakland, *President*

Mark Vinson, *President-elect*

Dianne Blanton, *Secretary*

Larry Dix, *Treasurer*

Frank Crawford, *Parliamentarian*

Board Members

1982-85	1983-86	1984-87
John Brady	Fred Elliott	Carl Duncan
Mark Vinson	Jan Dial Smith	Eve Rogers
Jane Clare	Dennis Cotten	Debbie Culler

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

Public Defenders

During 1984-85, there were seven public defender offices in North Carolina, serving Judicial Districts 3,* 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The public defender for District 28 is appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from recommendations submitted by the district bar; for other districts, the appointment is by the Governor from recommendations of the respective district bars. Their terms are four years. Each public defender is by statute provided a minimum of one full-time assistant public defender and additional full-time or part-time assistants as may be authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Entitlement of Indigents to Counsel

A person is determined to be indigent if he is found "financially unable to secure legal representation." He is entitled to State-paid legal representation in: any proceeding which may result in (or which seeks relief from) confinement; a fine of $500 or more; or extradition to another State; a proceeding alleging mental illness or incapacity which may result in hospitalization, sterilization, or the loss of certain property rights; and juvenile proceedings which may result in confinement, transfer to superior court for a felony trial, or termination of parental rights.

Most of the cases of State-paid representation of indigents in the districts with public defenders are handled by the public defender's office. However, the court may in certain circumstances—such as existence of a potential conflict of interest—assign private counsel to represent an indigent defendant. In the other 28 districts, the assigned private counsel system was the only one used.

Expenditures

A total of $2,922,974 was expended for the operation of the seven public defenders' offices during 1984-85. This was an increase of $391,046 (15.4%) over the 1983-84 total of $2,531,928.

*The public defender serves only two counties of the four in District 3: Pitt and Carteret.

1984-85 Caseload

The seven public defender offices disposed of cases involving a total of 19,086 defendents during 1984-85. This was an increase of 2,261 defendants, or 13.4%, over the 16,825 defendants represented during 1983-84.

Additional information concerning the operation of these offices is found in Part III of this *Annual Report*.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS
(As of June 30, 1985)

District 3
Robert L. Shoffner, Greenville

District 12
Mary Ann Tally, Fayetteville

District 15B
John Kirk Osborn, Chapel Hill

District 18
Wallace G. Harrelson, Greensboro

District 26
Isabel S. Day, Charlotte

District 27A
Rowell C. Cloninger, Jr., Gastonia

District 28
J. Robert Hufstader, Asheville

The Association of Public Defenders
(Officers as of June 30, 1985)

Stephen W. Ward, *President*

J. Robert Hufstader, *Vice President*

Charles L. White, II, *Secretary-Treasurer*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The Office of the Appellate Defender

(Staff as of June 30, 1985)

Adam Stein, *Appellate Defender*

Assistant Appellate Defenders

Louis D. Bilionis
David W. Dorey
Robin E. Hudson
Malcolm R. Hunter, Jr.
Geoffrey C. Mangum
Leland Q. Towns
Gordon Widenhouse, Jr.

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to that date, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) The 1985 General Assembly made permanent The Appellate Defender Office by repealing its expiration provision. In accord with the assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to the N. C. Supreme Court, the N. C. Court of Appeals, or to Federal courts.

The Appellate Defender is appointed by, and carries out his duties under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender.

1984-85 Caseload

As of July 1, 1984, the Appellate Defender had 34 cases pending in the North Carolina Supreme Court. During the 1984-85 year, a total of 65 additional appeals to the Supreme Court were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year a total of 32 cases in the Supreme Court were disposed of. This left 67 cases pending as of June 30, 1985. During the 1984-85 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 38 briefs and 42 petitions in the Supreme Court.

As of July 1, 1984, the Appellate Defender had 170 cases pending in the North Carolina Court of Appeals. During the 1984-85 year, a total of 239 additional appeals to the Court of Appeals were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year, a total of 193 cases in the Court of Appeals were disposed of. This left 216 cases pending as of June 30, 1985. During the 1984-85 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 169 briefs and 26 petitions in the Court of Appeals.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The North Carolina Courts Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1985)

Appointed by the Governor

H. Parks Helms, Charlotte, *Chairman*
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Ronald C. Brown, Asheville
District Attorney

Daniel T. Blue, Jr., Raleigh
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Rebecca B. Hundley, Thomasville

Louise B. Wilson, Graham
Clerk of Court

Dennis J. Winner, Asheville
Member, N. C. State Senate

Appointed by President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor)

Anthony E. Rand, Fayetteville
Member, N.C. Senate

Fielding Clark, II, Hickory

E. Lawrence Davis, III, Raleigh

Earl F. Parker, Apex
Magistrate

R.C. Soles, Jr., Tabor City
Member, N. C. Senate

Howard F. Twiggs, Raleigh

Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)

Kennieth S. Etheridge, Jr., Raleigh
N.C. Bar Association Representative

A.B. Coleman, Jr., Raleigh
N.C. State Bar Representative

Franklin E. Freeman, Jr., Raleigh
Administrative Officer of the Courts

Appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives

David M. Britt, Raleigh
Retired Associate Justice, N. C. Supreme Court

Robert C. Hunter, Marion
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Ralph S. Knott, Louisburg
Clerk of Court

Hugh A. Lee, Rockingham
Member, N. C. House of Representatives

Marvin D. Musselwhite, Jr., Raleigh
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Dennis A. Wicker, Sanford
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Appointed by the Chief Justice of the N.C. Supreme Court

Burley B. Mitchell, Jr., Raleigh
Associate Justice, N. C. Supreme Court

Clifton E. Johnson, Charlotte
Judge, N. C. Court of Appeals

Giles R. Clark, Elizabethtown
Superior Court Judge

Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
Superior Court Judge

Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
District Court Judge

Samuel McD. Tate, Morganton
District Court Judge

The North Carolina Courts Commission was reestablished by the 1979 General Assembly "to make continuing studies of the structure, organization, jurisdiction, procedures and personnel of the Judicial Department and of the General Court of Justice and to make recommendations to the General Assembly for such changes therein as will facilitate the administration of justice". Initially, the Commission was comprised of 15 voting members, with five each appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor), and the Speaker of the House. The Commission also had three *ex officio* members as shown above.

The 1981 General Assembly amended the statutes pertaining to the Courts Commission, to increase the number of voting members from 15 to 23, with the Governor to appoint seven voting members, the President of the Senate to appoint eight voting members, and the Speaker of the House to appoint eight voting members. The non-voting *ex officio* members remained the same: a representative of the North Carolina Bar Association, a representative of the North Carolina State Bar, and the Administrative Officer of the Courts.

The 1983 Session of the General Assembly further amended G.S. 7A-506, to revise the voting membership

The North Carolina Courts Commission

of the Commission. Effective July 1, 1983, the Commission is to consist of 24 voting members, six to be appointed by the Governor; six to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; six to be appointed by the President of the Senate; and six to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. The Governor continues to appoint the Chairman of the Commission, from among its legislative members. The non-voting *ex officio* membership of three persons remains the same.

Of the six appointees of the Chief Justice, one is to be a Justice of the Supreme Court, one is to be a Judge of the Court of Appeals, two are to be judges of superior court, and two are to be judges of district court.

Of the six appointees of the Governor, one is to be a district attorney, one a practicing attorney, one a clerk of superior court, and three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly and at least one of these shall not be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the Speaker of the House, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, and three are to be members or formers members of the General Assembly, and at least one of these three is not to be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the President of the Senate, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one is to be a magistrate.

During the 1984-85 year the Courts Commission had a total of eleven meetings, with public hearings in Roanoke Rapids, Winston-Salem, and Raleigh. The public hearing in Raleigh was broadcast statewide over cable television. The purpose of these hearings was to give the public an opportunity to express their concerns or recommendations about the court system.

The following Commission proposals were approved by the 1985 Session of the General Assembly:

- Statutory enactment creating a State Judicial Center Commission to study the present and future facilities needs of the appellate courts and the Administrative Office of the Courts (Chapter 698, H 1218).
- Statutory amendment authorizing appellate judges to employ two research assistants instead of one (Chapter 698, H 1218).
- Statutory amendments authorizing the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to recall retired or emergency justices for service on the Court of Appeals, increasing authority of the Chief Justice to recall retired or emergency justices or judges to temporary service, and increasing compensation for emergency judges and justices (Chapter 698, H 1218).
- Statutory amendment providing for permanent establishment of the Appellate Defender Program and to provide new positions in the Judicial Department (Chapter 698, H 1218).
- Statutory amendment providing for initial randomization of the biennial jury list in counties that rely on electronic data processing equipment for jury selection (Chapter 368, S 268).
- Statutory amendments to the court cost provisions enacted by the 1983 General Assembly (Chapter 481, H 534).
- Statutory amendments categorizing numerous minor traffic offenses as infractions and providing for the courts to dispose of such infractions (Chapter 764, H 533).

The Courts Commission also proposed adding requests for admissions to the list of discovery materials in G.S. 1A-1, Rule 5(d) that need not be filed with the court. The bill, as introduced, was identical to that proposed by the Courts Commission, but the bill that ultimately passed provided that requests for admissions must in every case be filed with the court (Chapter 546, S 270).

In addition, the Commission recommended a bill prohibiting employers from disciplining employees for serving on a jury. This bill received an unfavorable report by the Senate Committee and so was never considered by the House.

Finally, the Courts Commission recommended two bills to the 1985 Session calling for merit selection of judges. The two bills, which would have submitted a constitutional amendment to the voters and created a Judicial Nominating Commission responsible for implementation of a nonpartisan plan for selection of judges, never emerged from committee.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1984-85

The Judicial Standards Commission
(Members as of June 30, 1985)

Appointed by the Chief Justice

Court of Appeals Judge Gerald Arnold, Fuquay-Varina, *Chairman*

Superior Court Judge James M. Long, Pilot Mountain

District Court Judge L. T. Hammond, Jr., Asheboro

Appointed by the Governor

Veatrice C. Davis, Fayetteville, *Secretary*

Pamela S. Gaither, Charlotte

Elected by the Council of the N.C. State Bar

E. K. Powe, Durham, *Vice Chairman*

Rivers D. Johnson, Jr., Warsaw

Deborah R. Carrington, *Executive Secretary*

THE JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

The Judicial Standards Commission was established by the General Assembly pursuant to a constitutional amendment approved by the voters at the general election in November 1972.

Upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may censure or remove any judge for wilful misconduct in office, wilful and persistent failure to perform his duties, habitual intemperance, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, or conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute. In addition, upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may remove any judge for mental or physical incapacity interfering with the performance of his duties, which is, or is likely to become, permanent.

Where a recommendation for censure or removal involves a justice of the Supreme Court, the recommendation and supporting record is filed with the Court of Appeals which has and proceeds under the same authority for censure or removal of a judge. Such a proceeding would be heard by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the six judges senior in service, excluding the Court of Appeals judge who by law serves as the Chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

In addition to a recommendation of censure or removal, the Commission also utilizes a disciplinary measure known as a reprimand. The reprimand is a mechanism administratively developed for dealing with inquiries where the conduct involved does not warrant censure or removal, but where some action is justified. Since the establishment of the Judicial Standards Commission in 1973, reprimands have been issued in thirteen instances covering 19 inquiries.

During the July 1, 1984 - June 30, 1985 fiscal year, the Judicial Standards Commission met on the following dates: October 5, 1984, March 1, 1985, and June 14, 1985. In addition, the Commission convened on November 29, 1984 for a hearing.

A complaint or other information against a judge, whether filed with the Commission or initiated by the Commission on its own motion, is designated as an "Inquiry Concerning a Judge." Eight such inquiries were pending as of July 1, 1984, and 85 inquiries were filed during the fiscal year, giving the Commission a total workload of 93 inquiries.

During the fiscal year, the Commission disposed of 79 inquiries, and 14 inquiries remained pending at the end of the fiscal year.

The determinations of the Commission regarding the 79 inquiries disposed of during the fiscal year were as follows:

(1) sixty-eight inquiries were determined to involve evidentiary rulings, length of sentences, or other matters not within the Commission's jurisdiction rather than questions of judicial misconduct;
(2) two inquiries were determined to involve allegations of conduct which did not rise to such a level as would warrant investigation by the Commission;
(3) seven inquiries were determined to warrant no further action following completion of preliminary investigations;
(4) one inquiry was closed when the judge resigned from office; and
(5) one inquiry was determined to warrant a recommendation of censure following a hearing in the matter.

The recommendation of censure filed by the Commission on January 15, 1985, in Inquiry Concerning a Judge, No. 84 (Paul M. Wright, Respondent), was adopted by the Supreme Court on May 7, 1985. *In re Wright*, 313 N.C. 495, 329 S.E. 2d 668 (1985).

Of the 14 inquiries pending at the end of the fiscal year:

(1) nine inquiries were awaiting initial review by the Commission; and

(2) five inquiries covered in five preliminary investigative files were awaiting completion of the investigation or were subject to other action by the Commission.

PART III

COURT RESOURCES

- **Financial**
- **Personnel**

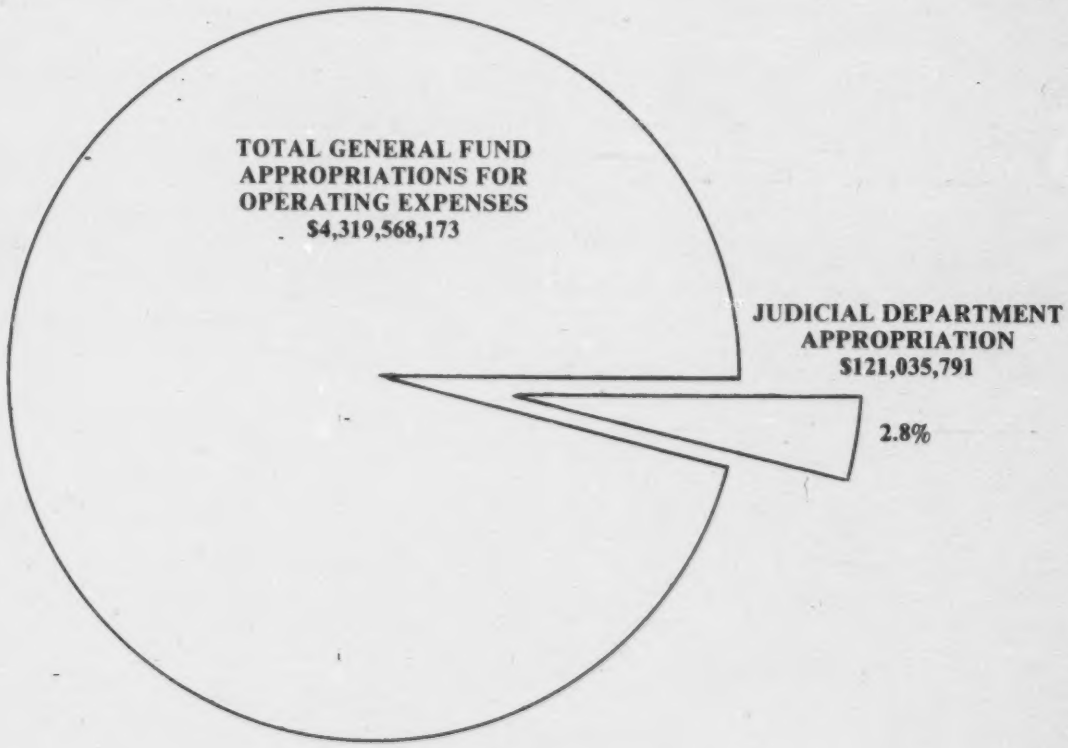
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Under the State Constitution the operating expenses of the Judicial Department (all North Carolina courts) "other than compensation to process servers and other locally paid non-judicial officers" are required to be paid from State funds. It is customary legislative practice for the General Assembly to include appropriations for the operating expenses of all three branches of State government in a single budget bill, for a two-year period ending on June 30 of the odd-numbered years. The budget for the second year of the biennium is generally modified during the even-year legislative session.

Building facilities for the appellate courts are provided by State funds, but, by statute, the county governments are required to provide from county funds for adequate facilities for the trial courts within each of the 100 counties.

Appropriations from the State's General Fund for operating expenses for all departments and agencies of State government, including the Judicial Department, totalled $4,319,568,173 for the 1984-85 fiscal year. (Appropriations from the Highway Fund and appropriations from the General Fund for capital improvements and debt servicing are not included in this total.)

The appropriation from the General Fund for the operating expenses of the Judicial Department for 1984-85 was $121,035,791. As illustrated in the chart below, this General Fund appropriation for the Judicial Department comprised 2.8% of the General Fund appropriations for the operating expenses of all State agencies and departments.



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Appropriations from the State's general fund for operating expenses of the Judicial Department over the past six fiscal years are shown in the table below and in the graph at the top of the following page. For comparative purposes, appropriations from the general fund for operating expenses of all State agencies and departments (including the Judicial Department) for the last six fiscal years are also shown in the table below and in the second graph on the following page.

APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND FOR OPERATING EXPENSES

Fiscal Year	Judicial Department		All State Agencies	
	Appropriation	% Increase over previous year	Appropriation	% Increase over previous year
1979-1980	71,616,057	12.45	2,761,002,481	12.60
1980-1981	82,929,174	15.80	3,140,949,832	13.76
1981-1982	89,631,765	8.08	3,339,761,674	6.33
1982-1983	93,927,824	4.79	3,488,908,246	4.47
1983-1984	106,182,188	13.05	3,730,497,565	6.92
1984-1985	121,035,791	13.99	4,319,568,173	15.79
AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE, 1979-1985		11.36%		9.98%

During the past decade, including the six-year period covered by the above table, inflation has been a significant factor in the national economy.

The greatest percentage increase in Judicial Department appropriations during the last six years was for the 1980-81 fiscal year. The increase for that year was due in large measure to a 10% pay increase for Judicial Branch personnel, with the same pay increase provided for personnel of all State government agencies. A 10% pay increase was also provided for the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Fiscal year 1982-83 shows the smallest percentage increase in Judicial Department appropriations during the six-year period. The decline in percentage increase that year was consistent with a similar decline for all state government agencies.

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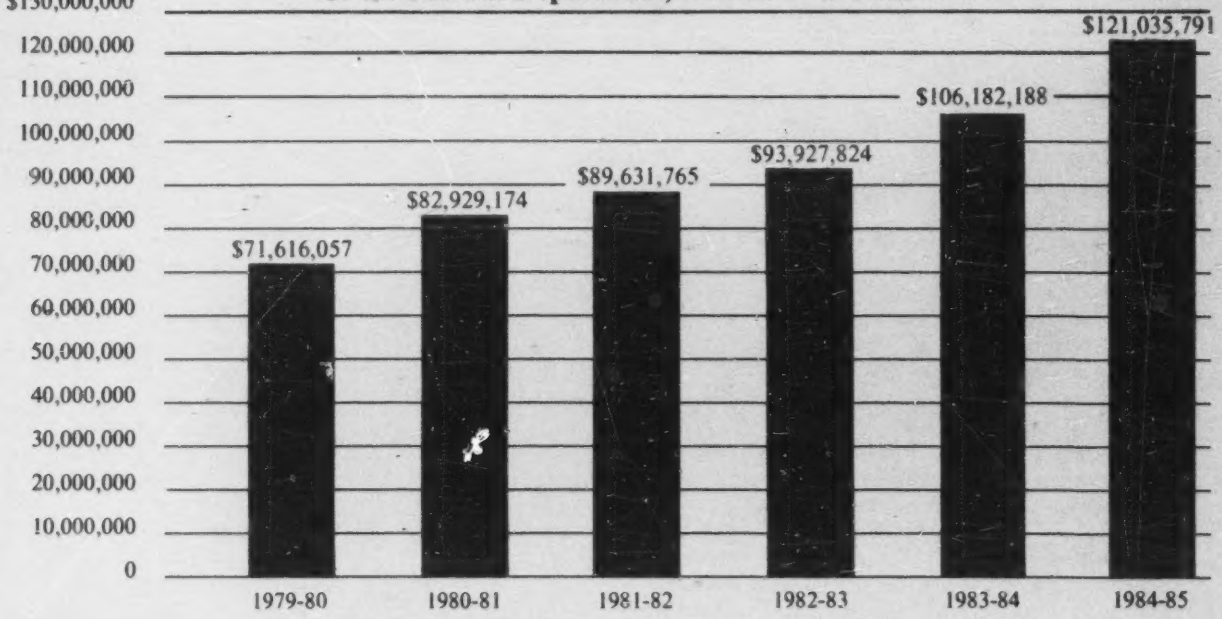
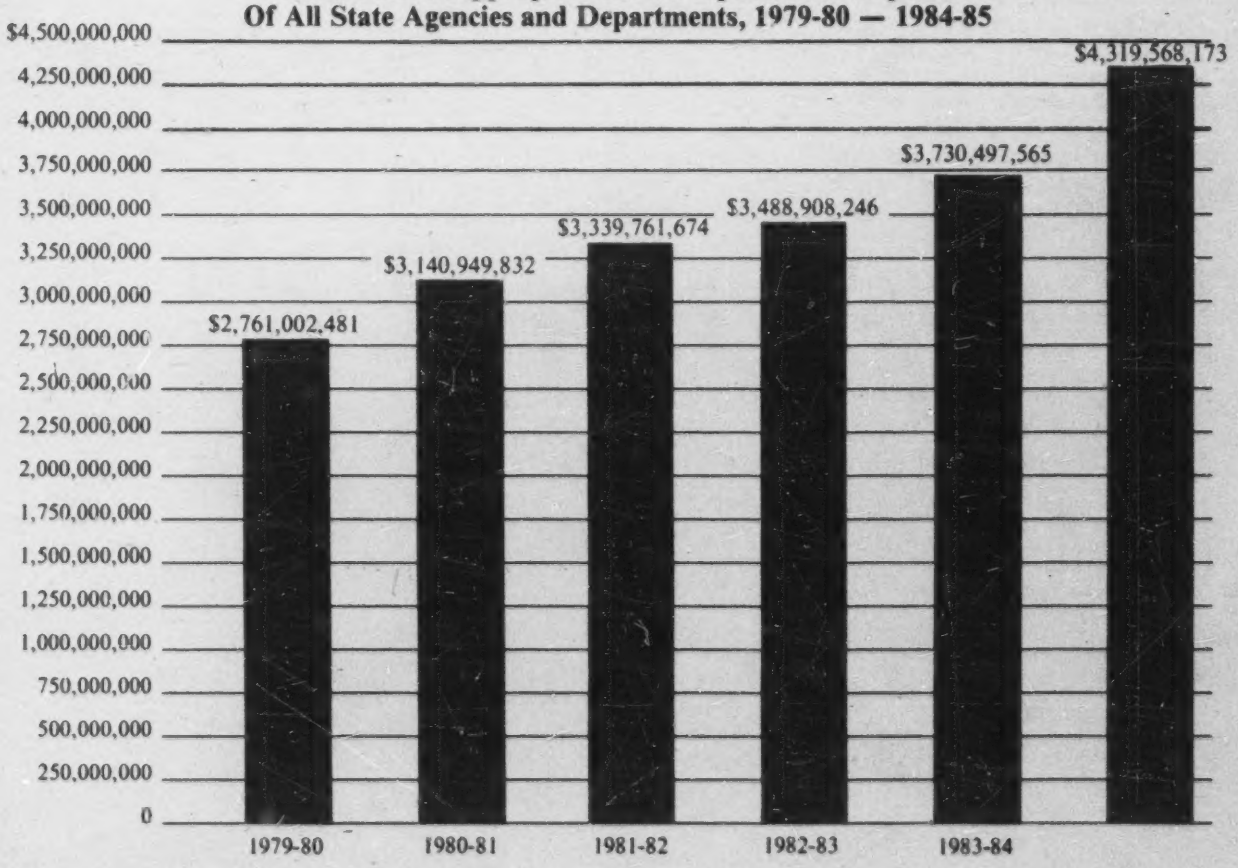
General Fund Appropriations for Operating Expenses Of the Judicial Department, 1979-80 — 1984-85



General Fund Appropriations for Operational Expenses Of All State Agencies and Departments, 1979-80 — 1984-85



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES
Expenditures July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

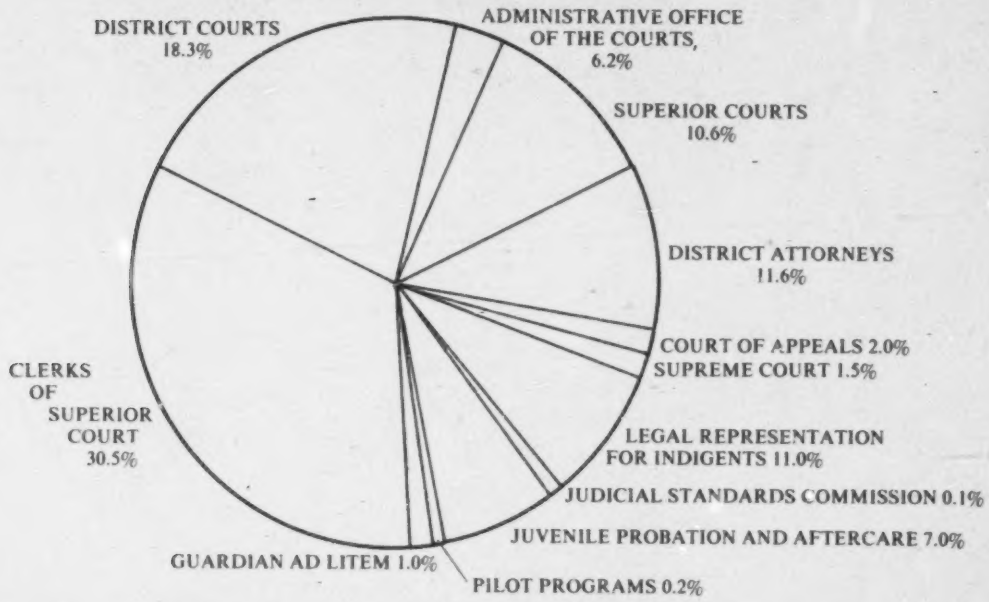
General Fund expenditures operating expenses of the Judicial Department during the 1984-85 fiscal year totalled $122,061,777, divided among the major budget classifications as shown below.

	Amount	% of Total
Supreme Court	$ 1,845,637	1.5
Court of Appeals	2,518,083	2.0
Superior Courts	12,936,659	10.6
District Courts	22,303,686	18.3
Clerks of Superior Court	37,204,864	30.5
Juvenile Probation and Aftercare	8,507,967	7.0
Representation for Indigents	14,639,125	12.0
Assigned private counsel $9,391,157		
Guardian *ad litem* for juveniles $683,129		
Guardian *ad litem*—volunteer and contract program $527,489		
Public defenders $2,922,974		
Special counsel at mental hospitals $189,440		
Support services (expert witness fees, professional examinations, transcripts) $531,452		
Appellate Defender Services $393,484		
District Attorney Offices	14,187,377	11.6
Office-District Attorney $14,099,541		
District Attorneys' Conference $487,836		
Administrative Office of the Courts	7,550,381	6.2
General Administration $2,743,789		
Information Services $4,516,557		
Warehouse & Printing $290,035		
Judicial Standards Commission	94,280	.1
Pilot Programs	223,718	.2
Custody Mediation Pilot $68,875		
Outpatient Commitment Pilot $——		
Indigency Screening Pilot $37,343		
Dispute Settlement Center $117,500		
TOTAL	**$122,061,777 ***	**100.0**

*General Fund expenditures exceeded General Fund appropriations by $1,025,986 which was funded from the non-reverting cash balance of the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee account.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

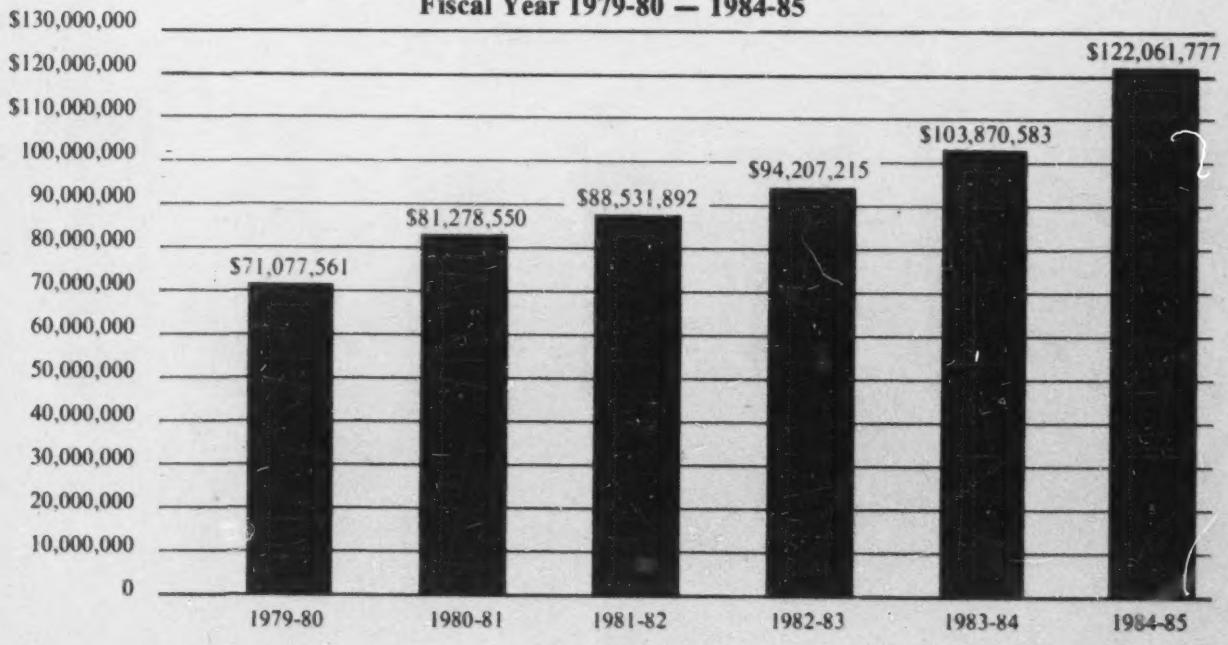
Expenditures, July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985


DISTRICT COURTS 18.3%
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS, 6.2%
SUPERIOR COURTS 10.6%
DISTRICT ATTORNEYS 11.6%
COURT OF APPEALS 2.0%
SUPREME COURT 1.5%
LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR INDIGENTS 11.0%
JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION 0.1%
JUVENILE PROBATION AND AFTERCARE 7.0%
PILOT PROGRAMS 0.2%
GUARDIAN AD LITEM 1.0%
CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT 30.5%

As the above chart illustrates, most (91%) of Judicial Department expenditures goes for operation of the State's trial courts: operation of superior courts took 10.6% of total expenditures; operation of the district courts (including magistrates, judges and court reporters) took 18.3% of the total; the clerks' office, 30.5% of the total; and district attorneys offices, 11.6% of total Judicial Department expenditures.

The total General Fund expenditures of $122,061,777 for 1984-85 represents a 17.5% increase over expenditures of $103,870,583 in 1983-84.

General Fund Expenditures For The Judicial Department
Fiscal Year 1979-80 — 1984-85



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

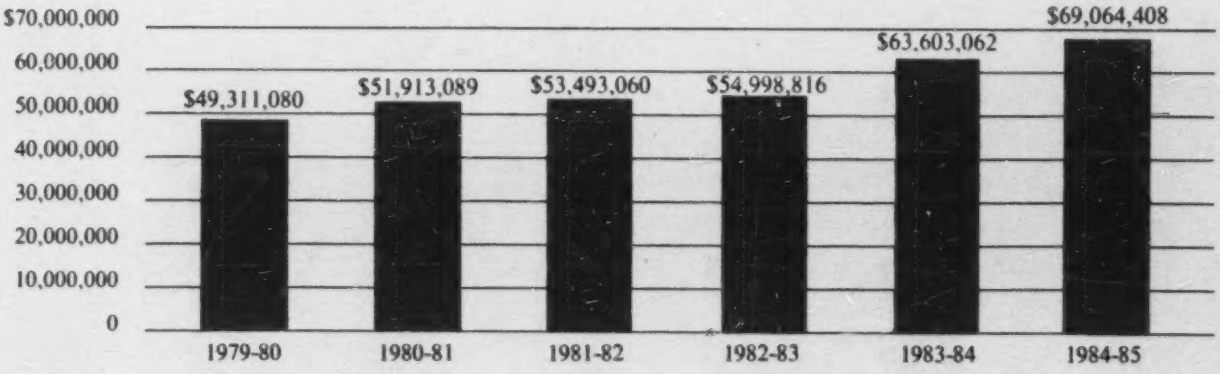
Department Receipts
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

Receipts for the Judicial Department in the 1984-85 fiscal year totalled $69,064,408. The several sources of these receipts are shown in the table below. As in the previous years, the major source of receipts is the assessment of "court costs" in superior and district courts, paid by litigants in accordance with the schedule of costs and fees set out in G.S. 7A-304 *et seq.*; these payments constituted 66.89% of the total receipts during 1984-85. Fines and forfeitures made up 29.28% of the total. Receipts in the remaining categories — Supreme Court and Court of Appeals filing fees, sales of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Reports and payments on indigent representation judgements — made up less than four percent of the total.

Source of Receipts	Amount	% of Total
Supreme Court Fees	$ 10,640	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	41,623	.06
Superior and District Court Costs	46,194,346	66.89
Fines and Forfeitures	20,223,923	29.28
Sales of Appellate Division *Reports*	162,755	.24
Payments on Indigent Representation Judgements	1,461,107	2.12
Ten-Day License Revocation Fee	970,014	1.40
Total	**$69,064,408**	**100.00**

This total of $69,064,408 is an increase of 8.6% over total 1983-84 receipts of $63,603,062. The graph below illustrates increases in recent years in total Judicial Department receipts.

Judicial Department Receipts, 1979-80 — 1984-85



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Distribution of Judicial Department Receipts (July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985)

As required by the State Constitution, fines, penalties and forfeitures collected by the courts in criminal cases are distributed to the respective counties in which the cases are tried. These funds must be used by the counties for the support of the public schools.

A uniform schedule of court costs for civil and criminal cases, comprised of a variety of fees, is set by statute for cases filed in the superior and district courts. Statutes prescribe the distribution of these fees and provide that certain fees shall be devoted to specific uses. For example, a facilties fee is included in court costs when costs are assessed, and this fee is paid over to the respective county or municipality which provided the facility used in the case. These fees must be utilized by the counties and municipalities to provide and maintain courtrooms and related judicial facilities.

Officer fees (for arrest or service of process) are included, where applicable, in the costs of each case filed in the trial courts. If a municipal officer performed these services in a case, the fee is paid over to the respective municipality. Otherwise, all officer fees are paid to the respective counties in which the cases are filed.

A jail fee is included in the costs of each case where applicable; and these fees are distributed to the respective county or municipality whose facilties were used. Most jail facilities in the State are provided by the counties.

A fee for the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund is included as a part of court costs when costs are assessed in a criminal case. As required by statute, the Judicial Department remits these fees to the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund.

Except as indicated, all superior and district court costs collected by the Judicial Department are paid into the State's General Fund, as are appellate court fees and proceeds from the sales of appellate division reports.

When private counsel or a public defender is assigned to represent an indigent defendant in a criminal case the trial judge sets the money value for the services rendered. If the defendant is convicted, a judgment lien is entered against him for such amount. Collections on these judgments are paid into and retained by the department to defray the costs of legal representation of indigents.

Proceeds from the ten-day driver license revocation fee, which driving-while-intoxicated offenders must pay to recover their driver licenses, are distributed to the counties to defray the costs of weekend confinement of those persons convicted of driving while impaired. (Chapter 698, Sec. 19, 1985 Session Laws)

	Amount	% of Total
Remitted to State Treasurer		
Supreme Court Fees	$ 10,640	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	41,623	.06
Sales of Appellate Division Reports	162,755	.24
Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund Fees	2,345,702	3.40
Other Superior and District Court Fees	32,587,853	47.18
Total to State Treasurer	**35,148,573**	**50.89**
Distributed to Counties		
Fines and Forfeitures	20,223,923	29.28
Judicial Facilities Fees	5,988,331	8.67
Officer Fees	2,954,820	4.28
Jail Fees	546,012	.79
Total to Counties	**29,713,086**	**43.02**
Distributed to Municipalities		
Judicial Facilities Fees	285,319	.42
Officer Fees	1,480,062	2.14
Jail Fees	6,247	.01
Total to Municipalities	**1,771,628**	**2.57**
Retained by Judicial Department		
Payments on Indigent Representation Judgements	1,461,107	2.12
Ten-day license Revocation Fees	970,014	1.40
Total retained by Judicial Department	**2,431,121**	**3.52**
GRAND TOTAL	**$ 69,064,408**	**100.00**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities*
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
County	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Alamance	97,331.00	56,118.50	16,918.70	343,040.26	-0-	17,318.00	-0-	513,408.46
Alexander	13,860.00	7,644.23	4,426.14	76,722.74	-0-	548.00	-0-	102,653.11
Alleghany	8,059.50	3,528.00	714.00	28,525.00	-0-	444.00	-0-	40,826.50
Anson	26,417.00	13,817.00	1,707.00	65,894.58	-0-	864.00	-0-	107,835.58
Ashe	14,291.50	11,332.00	707.00	50,540.55	-0-	500.00	-0-	76,871.05
Avery	11,565.00	8,388.00	795.00	39,214.00	-0-	140.00	-0-	59,962.00
Beaufort	44,292.00	34,251.00	12,129.00	159,095.57	-0-	8,628.00	-0-	249,767.57
Bertie	20,736.00	17,504.00	1,595.00	64,606.16	-0-	542.00	-0-	104,441.16
Bladen	34,105.00	1,330.00	713.00	126,172.45	1,428.00	1,330.00	-0-	162,320.45
Brunswick	34,087.00	17,777.00	2,155.00	196,224.91	1,875.00	1,804.00	-0-	250,243.91
Buncombe	170,116.58	101,405.50	5,912.05	574,566.27	-0-	46,771.50	-0-	852,000.40
Burke	71,952.00	36,505.00	8,776.00	234,719.12	-0-	7,966.00	-0-	351,952.12
Cabarrus	97,212.00	71,161.00	17,577.04	303,579.97	-0-	11,372.00	-0-	489,530.01
Caldwell	54,550.54	23,249.00	3,091.00	168,330.68	-0-	8,643.00	-0-	249,221.22
Camden	7,263.00	5,768.00	785.00	35,049.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	48,865.00
Carteret	59,070.00	29,676.00	2,115.00	236,360.26	-0-	13,604.00	-0-	327,221.26
Caswell	14,720.00	13,139.00	1,452.33	75,396.60	-0-	-0-	-0-	104,707.93
Catawba	52,762.50	36,134.50	5,032.00	289,833.00	55,082.00	26,335.00	1,351.00	383,762.62
Chatham	25,000.00	23,887.00	1,189.00	95,110.52	7,849.00	2,882.00	155.00	145,186.52
Cherokee	13,539.00	10,596.00	5,261.00	73,544.00	-0-	1,467.00	120.00	102,940.00
Chowan	14,306.00	8,612.00	994.00	34,212.00	-0-	3,262.00	-0-	58,124.00
Clay	3,701.00	2,716.00	120.00	14,211.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	20,748.00
Cleveland	69,456.00	30,597.00	5,932.00	215,752.92	-0-	8,350.00	-0-	321,737.92
Columbus	46,476.00	41,516.00	4,012.00	156,139.63	3,130.00	3,385.00	100.00	248,143.63
Craven	93,517.39	31,107.90	7,776.51	277,537.85	-0-	26,741.00	-0-	409,939.65
Cumberland	264,307.68	106,792.27	29,542.80	781,020.46	-0-	46,873.00	-0-	1,181,663.21
Currituck	14,108.00	11,382.97	1,485.00	61,398.92	-0-	-0-	-0-	88,374.89
Dare	34,580.00	18,192.97	4,981.00	232,942.02	-0-	9,260.00	-0-	290,695.99
Davidson	86,454.46	65,330.17	7,619.26	418,598.90	10,102.00	6,770.00	-0-	578,002.79
Davie	18,883.00	12,951.00	497.00	70,441.23	-0-	724.00	-0-	102,772.23
Duplin	36,465.00	19,872.71	2,212.00	154,904.35	-0-	1,048.00	280.00	213,454.06
Durham	223,472.00	58,984.00	4,892.00	489,938.26	-0-	81,908.63	-0-	777,286.26
Edgecombe	37,168.00	46,516.00	7,070.00	114,229.62	30,454.00	16,040.00	855.00	204,983.62
Forsyth	280,338.75	35,140.00	19,916.00	825,162.10	2,954.00	117,826.00	-0-	1,160,556.85
Franklin	23,780.00	13,219.00	3,617.00	96,255.00	-0-	496.00	-0-	136,871.00
Gaston	141,918.25	86,502.00	11,697.00	397,954.08	-0-	18,902.00	-0-	638,071.33
Gates	10,894.00	7,562.00	1,607.00	49,003.48	-0-	24.00	-0-	69,066.48
Graham	4,244.00	3,235.00	2,740.00	30,879.00	-0-	56.00	-0-	41,098.00
Granville	34,092.00	13,563.80	3,229.00	111,502.13	-0-	5,200.00	170.00	162,386.93
Greene	14,286.00	10,493.00	1,029.00	48,623.21	-0-	-0-	-0-	74,431.21
Guilford	402,110.25	57,812.00	16,656.00	894,637.23	-0-	176,229.00	-0-	1,371,215.48
Halifax	57,232.00	43,543.00	7,811.00	198,331.30	3,963.00	80,135.00	25.00	306,917.30
Harnett	39,879.50	27,948.00	9,939.00	188,639.01	7,467.50	3,770.00	110.00	266,405.51
Haywood	43,286.00	27,615.00	5,598.66	220,647.01	526.00	2,216.00	65.00	297,146.67
Henderson	55,138.00	29,294.00	10,208.00	242,421.72	65.00	5,464.00	-0-	337,061.72
Hertford	27,924.00	19,703.39	3,250.00	78,407.70	-0-	1,308.00	-0-	129,285.09
Hoke	20,826.00	12,299.50	3,425.00	87,890.88	-0-	1,952.00	-0-	124,441.38
Hyde	5,057.00	4,036.00	1,361.00	214,053.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	224,507.00
Iredell	65,209.50	35,690.00	1,193.00	310,264.46	11,938.00	10,841.00	464.00	412,356.96
Jackson	17,705.00	13,084.88	4,588.00	80,520.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	115,897.88

*Facility and jail fees are distributed to the respective counties and muncipalities which furnished the facilities. If the officer who made the arrest or served the process was employed by a municipality, the officer fee is distributed to the municipality; otherwise all officer fees are distributed to the respective counties. By provision of the State Constitution, fines and forfeitures collected by the courts within a county are distributed to that county for support of the public schools.

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Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities*
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
County	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Johnston	61,283.61	45,831.00	18,29. 00	309,286.09	11,212.00	7,254.00	150.00	434,692.70
Jones	7,127.00	4,363.00	365.( )	22,469.50	-0-	784.00	-0-	34,324.50
Lee	45,657.00	23,817.00	12,937.65	143,790.74	-0-	9,306.00	-0-	226,202.39
Lenoir	68,228.00	27,943.00	8,031.00	226,711.99	-0-	12,070.00	-0-	330,913.99
Lincoln	31,449.00	21,060.00	365.00	89,797.14	-0-	2,620.00	-0-	142,671.14
Macon	20,472.00	15,193.07	595.00	86,944.00	-0-	484.00	-0-	123,204.07
Madison	10,951.00	8,958.50	50.00	32,600.00	-0-	100.00	-0-	52,559.50
Martin	28,133.50	20,260.00	4,988.00	77,657.41	-0-	2,152.00	-0-	131,038.91
McDowell	30,752.70	19,774.00	1,500.00	122,103.49	-0-	2,252.00	-0-	174,130.19
Mecklenburg	503,977.18	210,291.82	78.00	1,141,045.51	-0-	151,127.00	-0-	1,855,392.51
Mitchell	8,280.00	5,767.00	205.00	24,825.00	-0-	300.00	-0-	39,077.00
Montgomery	37,098.00	34,532.86	3,094.00	86,135.00	-0-	1,168.00	-0-	160,859.86
Moore	50,557.15	34,972.00	2,060.75	213,207.27	3,962.00	7,104.00	25.00	300,797.17
Nash	46,501.00	54,790.27	7,622.00	186,209.49	39,839.00	16,811.00	780.00	295,122.76
New Hanover	135,683.75	42,467.61	5,677.00	431,422.75	-0-	33,688.00	-0-	615,251.11
Northampton	24,802.00	21,164.34	1,344.50	91,593.17	-0-	1,332.00	-0-	138,903.01
Onslow	117,030.00	59,272.00	25,367.00	423,213.65	-0-	38,015.00	-0-	624,882.65
Orange	40,871.00	28,736.92	5,882.50	208,152.95	26,468.00	18,253.08	643.00	283,643.37
Pamlico	6,461.00	5,252.00	79.00	26,088.34	-0-	-0-	-0-	37,880.34
Pasquotank	25,943.00	11,800.00	4 820.00	132,632.78	-0-	8,415.00	-0-	175,195.78
Pender	21,296.50	15,030.00	2,966.00	96,253.50	-0-	576.00	-0-	135,546.00
Perquimans	8,095.00	4,747.00	370.00	25,535.13	-0-	1,294.00	-0-	38,747.13
Person	24,939.00	19,277.00	4,347.00	90,607.35	-0-	1,878.00	-0-	139,170.35
Pitt	112,586.00	33,449.00	5,198.00	398,229.90	6,465.00	41,693.00	548.00	549,462.90
Polk	11,001.00	8,863.00	1,772.00	58,673.50	-0-	268.00	-0-	80,309.50
Randolph	77,091.25	62,179.63	6,284.00	240,868.08	1,405.00	10,671.00	-0-	386,422.96
Richmond	39,263.00	24,295.00	5,221.00	122,277.97	-0-	2,600.00	-0-	191,056.97
Robeson	99,814.85	64,026.00	13,092.00	524,113.20	30,207.00	21,651.00	298.00	701,046.05
Rockingham	57,553.50	33,317.00	6,176.00	313,590.00	18,443.00	16,777.00	5.00	410,636.50
Rowan	83,538.00	54,324.42	19,975.00	306,567.57	-0-	18,691.00	-0-	464,404.99
Rutherford	48,662.00	27,181.00	6,852.26	183,319.00	-0-	9,494.00	-0-	266,014.26
Sampson	52,723.00	39,586.00	4,413.00	174,092.41	-0-	1,918.00	-0-	270,814.41
Scotland	38,767.00	26,453.00	2,905.00	159,711.15	-0-	5,299.00	-0-	227,836.15
Stanly	43,621.07	16,096.00	3,511.76	168,716.94	-0-	5,562.00	-0-	231,945.77
Stokes	21,080.50	11,952.00	2,649.00	76,667.25	-0-	600.00	-0-	112,348.75
Surry	56,129.60	45,159.06	2,626.00	169,020.51	1,658.00	6,391.00	50.00	272,935.17
Swain	6,754.00	4,845.00	956.00	32,770.70	-0-	372.00	-0-	45,325.70
Transylvania	16,274.00	13,841.53	3,493.00	63,600.67	-0-	2,136.00	-0-	97,209.20
Tyrrell	6,125.00	4,375.00	980.00	16,989.50	-0-	-0-	-0-	28,469.50
Union	57,676.00	40,664.00	7,674.00	197,333.81	-0-	9,590.00	-0-	303,347.81
Vance	41,577.00	18,634.00	7,259.00	141,554.42	-0-	4,400.00	-0-	209,024.42
Wake	400,803.69	82,215.61	27,287.15	1,195,705.89	6,643.00	183,428.64	32.75	1,706,012.34
Warren	15,537.50	12,151.00	2,735.00	59,431.99	-0-	292.00	-0-	88,855.49
Washington	14,041.00	10,138.00	3,120.50	35,982.00	-0-	924.00	-0-	63,281.50
Watauga	26,963.00	19,448.33	4,191.00	137,978.85	-0-	2,222.00	-0-	188,581.18
Wayne	87,457.00	47,594.00	3,808.20	271,228.16	2,183.00	19,181.00	20.00	410,087.36
Wilkes	55,789.50	30,586.00	4,825.00	240,263.08	-0-	1,732.00	-0-	331,463.58
Wilson	64,570.00	39,955.83	5,171.03	155,448.36	-0-	15,743.08	-0-	265,145.22
Yadkin	28,700.00	21,305.00	3,590.00	128,810.87	-0-	972.00	-0-	182,405.87
Yancey	10,900.00	8,363.00	1,162.00	29,651.50	-0-	532.00	-0-	50,076.50
State Totals	5,988,331.25	2,954,820.09	546,011.79	20,223,923.26	285,318.50	1,480,061.93	6,246.75	29,713,086.39

*Facility and jail fees are distributed to the respective counties and muncipalities which furnished the facilities. If the officer who made the arrest or served the process was employed by a municipality, the officer fee is distributed to the municipality; otherwise all officer fees are distributed to the respective counties. By provision of the State Constitution, fines and forfeitures collected by the courts within a county are distributed to that county for support of the public schools.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

The State provides legal counsel for indigent persons in a variety of actions and proceedings, as specified in the North Carolina General Statutes, Sections 7A-450 *et seq*. These include criminal proceedings, judicial hospitalization proceedings, juvenile proceedings which may result in commitment to an institution or transfer to superior court for trial as an adult. Legal representation for indigents may be by assignment of private counsel, by assignment of special public counsel (involving mental hospital commitments), or by assignment of a public defender.

Seven of North Carolina's judicial districts have an office of public defender: Districts 3, 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The other 27 districts utilize only assignments of private counsel. Private counsel may also be assigned in the seven districts which have a public defender in the event of a conflict of interests involving the public defender's office and the indigent and in the event of unusual circumstances when, in the opinion of the court, the proper administration of justice requires the assignment of private counsel rather than the public defender in those cases.

During 1984-85, the Criminal Law Clinic of the School of Law, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, provided counsel services to indigents in 109 cases (no felonies), assigned by the courts in Orange County to the Clinic. These counsel services for indigents were provided by the Clinic at no cost to the Judicial Department.

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to October 1, 1981, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) Pursuant to assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to either the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals. The Appellate Defender is under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender. The case and cost data reported below reflect the activity of this office in both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1985.

In addition, the State provides a full-time special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings before a district court judge. Under North Carolina law, each patient committed to a mental hospital is entitled to a judicial hearing (before a district court judge) within 90 days after the initial commitment, a further hearing within 180 days after the initial commitment, and thereafter a hearing once each year during the continuance of an involuntary commitment.

Finally, the State provides a guardian *ad litem* for children alleged to be neglected in juvenile petitions unless the court finds that the child is not in need of and cannot benefit from such representation.

The cost of all programs of indigent representation, rounded to the nearest dollar, was $14,639,125 in the 1984-85 fiscal year, compared to $12,673,701 in the 1983-84 fiscal year, an increase of 15.5%. The total amount expended for these activities was 12.0% of total Judicial Department expenditures in the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Following is a summary of case and cost data for representation of indigents for the fiscal year, July 1, 1984 through June 30, 1985.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents
July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

	Number of Cases	Total Cost	Average Per Case
Assigned Private Counsel			
Capital offense cases	313	878,385	2,806
Adult cases (other than capital)	36,955	7,864.627	213
Juvenile cases	6,099	648,145	106
Totals	**43,367**	**9,391,157**	**217**
Guardian *ad litem* for juveniles	**4,642**	**683,129**	**147**
Guardian *ad litem*-volunteer and contract program		**527,489**	
Public Defender Offices			
*District 3	1,371	250,781	183
District 12	2,684	552,025	206
District 15B	568	159,242	280
District 18	2,900	637,011	220
District 26	8,116	723,536	89
District 27A	1,813	324,989	179
District 28	1,634	275,390	168
Totals	**19,086**	**2,922,974**	**153**
****Criminal Law Clinic, UNC**	**109**		
Appellate Defender Office	**306**	**393,484**	**1,286**
Special Counsel at mental hospitals		**189,440**	
Transcripts, records and briefs		**441,791**	
Professional examinations		**28,870**	
Expert witness fees		**60,791**	
GRAND TOTAL		**14,0 9.25**	

*The Public Defender's Office serves only Pitt and Carteret Counties in Judicial District 3.

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JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Special Counsel at Mental Hospitals
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

The total cost of providing special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings, was $189,440 for the 1984-85 fiscal year. There were a total of 10,135 hearings held during the year, for an average cost per hearing of $18.69 for the special counsel service.

The following table presents data on the hearings held at each of the mental hospitals in 1984-85. There were 687 more hearings held in 1984-85 than in 1983-84, an increase of 7.3% in total hearings.

	Broughton	Cherry	Dorothea Dix	John Umstead	Totals
Initial Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	858	1,210	613	1,296	3,977
Commitment to outpatient clinic	234	263	24	61	582
Discharge	879	431	531	602	2,443
Total	**1,971**	**1,904**	**1,168**	**1,959**	**7,002**
First Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	152	279	174	432	1,037
Commitment to outpatient clinic	25	10	21	11	67
Discharge	49	137	31	206	423
Totals	**226**	**426**	**226**	**649**	**1,527**
Second or Subsequent Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	204	326	239	613	1,382
Commitment to outpatient clinic	8	0	7	7	22
Discharge	13	12	19	82	126
Totals	**225**	**338**	**265**	**702**	**1,530**
Modification of Prior Order Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	1	6	1	0	8
Commitment to outpatient clinic	4	15	23	0	42
Discharge	6	16	4	0	26
Totals	**11**	**37**	**28**	**0**	**76**
Total Hearings or Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	1,215	1,821	1,027	2,341	6,404
Commitment to outpatient clinic	271	288	75	79	713
Discharge	947	596	585	890	3,018
Grand Totals	**2,433**	**2,705**	**1,687**	**3,310**	**10,135**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 1				
Camden	21	5,925	8	596
Chowan	105	19,866	4	239
Currituck	74	21,782	23	2,568
Dare	108	28,172	13	1,181
Gates	24	4,334	9	706
Pasquotank	348	68,748	72	5,868
Perquimans	72	11,821	5	414
District Totals	**752**	**160,548**	**134**	**11,572**
District 2				
Beaufort	311	82,326	26	2,200
Hyde	43	20,426	4	393
Martin	208	47,771	12	1,100
Tyrrell	28	5,169	-0-	-0-
Washington	117	24,937	7	350
District Totals	**707**	**180,629**	**49**	**4,043**
District 3				
Carteret	52	24,774	29	4,272
Craven	717	165,291	63	10,280
Pamlico	47	12,643	5	1,059
Pitt	204	81,294	40	8,457
District Totals	**1,020**	**284,002**	**137**	**24,068**
District 4				
Duplin	253	87,882	46	6,600
Jones	29	5,475	6	875
Onslow	731	177,99	155	13,125
Sampson	338	100,619	52	5,275
District Totals	**1,351**	**371,967**	**259**	**25,875**
District 5				
New Hanover	993	325,167	41	9,792
Pender	75	20,959	4	415
District Totals	**1,068**	**346,126**	**45**	**10,207**
District 6				
Bertie	149	34,564	28	1,920
Halifax	447	95,290	22	2,625
Hertford	207	43,881	52	3,654
Northampton	177	66,154	22	2,074
District Totals	**980**	**239,889**	**124**	**10,273**
District 7				
Edgecombe	662	143,742	33	5,275
Nash	532	127,970	27	4,830
Wilson	775	177,971	24	2,865
District Totals	**1,969**	**449,683**	**84**	**12,970**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 8				
Greene	152	33,606	3	470
Lenoir	757	133,214	14	2,727
Wayne	1,076	222,875	18	3,760
District Totals	**1,985**	**389,695**	**35**	**6,957**
District 9				
Franklin	265	51,501	14	2,012
Granville	356	75,437	18	2,485
Person	238	47,670	16	2,015
Vance	507	98,932	5	1,400
Warren	126	28,910	7	2,399
District Totals	**1,492**	**302,450**	**60**	**10,311**
District 10				
Wake	3,091	682,498	168	38,831
District Totals	**3,091**	**682,498**	**168**	**38,831**
District 11				
Harnett	387	68,787	29	5,124
Johnston	717	90,720	34	4,236
Lee	372	57,806	32	4,450
District Totals	**1,476**	**217,313**	**95**	**13,810**
District 12				
Cumberland	173	79,205	212	15,716
Hoke	12	3,754	20	1,885
District Totals	**185**	**82,959**	**232**	**17,601**
District 13				
Bladen	341	105,963	13	1,775
Brunswick	314	66,279	33	4,633
Columbus	606	121,490	73	10,139
District Totals	**1,261**	**293,732**	**119**	**16,547**
District 14				
Durham	2,179	440,908	105	29,854
District Totals	**2,179**	**440,908**	**105**	**29,854**
District 15A				
Alamance	895	184,638	20	2,350
District Totals	**895**	**184,638**	**20**	**2,350**
District 15B				
Chatham	35	7,860	22	6,681
Orange	244	35,365	46	5,095
District Totals	**279**	**43,225**	**68**	**11,776**
District 16				
Robeson	1,176	224,034	156	9,132
Scotland	483	80,827	60	7,819
District Totals	**1,659**	**304,861**	**216**	**16,951**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 17A				
Caswell	149	38,796	16	1,275
Rockingham	763	166,026	12	1,193
District Totals	**912**	**204,822**	**28**	**2,468**
District 17B				
Stokes	162	44,072	9	915
Surry	492	110,893	57	5,826
District Totals	**654**	**154,965**	**66**	**6,741**
District 18				
Guilford	275	80,531	207	27,298
District Totals	**275**	**80,531**	**207**	**27,298**
District 19A				
Cabarrus	652	150,590	59	8,350
Rowan	997	158,297	116	16,365
District Totals	**1,649**	**308,887**	**175**	**24,715**
District 19B				
Montgomery	222	42,380	8	625
Randolph	564	112,035	93	9,665
District Totals	**786**	**154,415**	**101**	**10,290**
District 20				
Anson	348	71,992	10	1,800
Moore	545	82,207	70	7,140
Richmond	668	100,276	43	4,050
Stanly	380	67,695	48	6,538
Union	712	128,205	178	18,765
District Totals	**2,653**	**450,375**	**349**	**38,293**
District 21				
Forsyth	3,239	495,990	190	22,830
District Totals	**3,239**	**495,990**	**190**	**22,830**
District 22				
Alexander	190	47,397	44	6,158
Davidson	730	195,078	183	30,882
Davie	141	37,938	36	4,135
Iredell	783	177,924	77	12,028
District Totals	**1,844**	**458,337**	**340**	**53,203**
District 23				
Alleghany	38	6,460	10	1,125
Ashe	125	23,386	29	3,075
Wilkes	557	82,840	72	5,665
Yadkin	158	38,895	18	1,735
District Totals	**878**	**151,581**	**129**	**11,660**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 24				
Avery	100	30,987	26	8,841
Madison	92	34,841	29	7,115
Mitchell	51	19,295	5	550
Watauga	185	49,157	17	4,800
Yancey	64	10,843	8	2,850
District Totals	**492**	**145,119**	**85**	**24,156**
District 25				
Burke	610	136,490	27	8,557
Caldwell	630	144,240	14	3,775
Catawba	1,153	198,449	40	7,676
District Totals	**2,393**	**479,179**	**81**	**20,008**
District 26				
Mecklenburg	2,056	552,895	349	110,574
District Totals	**2,056**	**552,895**	**349**	**110,574**
District 27A				
Gaston	97	38,780	98	9,965
District Totals	**97**	**39,780**	**98**	**9,965**
District 27B				
Cleveland	413	96,164	105	11,638
Lincoln	255	64,271	8	860
District Totals	**668**	**160,435**	**113**	**12,498**
District 28				
Buncombe	341	72,421	97	9,120
District Totals	**341**	**72,421**	**97**	**9,120**
District 29				
Henderson	429	114,204	44	6,570
McDowell	246	54,571	33	5,880
Polk	63	16,065	6	1,600
Rutherford	324	73,723	22	2,800
Transylvania	129	27,954	4	1,170
District Totals	**1,191**	**286,517**	**109**	**18,020**
District 30				
Cherokee	101	21,307	30	2,588
Clay	15	2,343	17	3,549
Graham	65	10,711	11	1,809
Haywood	270	104,799	55	4,425
Jackson	116	17,151	33	2,271
Macon	274	28,973	14	1,383
Swain	49	34,499	15	1,360
District Totals	**890**	**219,783**	**175**	**17,355**
STATE TOTALS	**43,367**	**$9,391,156**	**4,642**	**$683,129**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL
(Positions and salaries authorized as of June 30, 1985)

Positions Authorized		Salary Ranges
	SUPREME COURT	
7	Justices	$ 65,856-67,248
23	Staff personnel (Clerk's and Reporter's offices, law clerks, library staff)	$ 10,236-48,216
7	Secretarial personnel	$ 18,852-19,716
	COURT OF APPEALS	
12	Judges	$ 62,352-63,744
37	Staff personnel (Clerk's office, prehearing staff, Judicial Standards Commission staff, law clerks)	$ 10,236-38,364
12	Secretarial personnel	$ 18,036-18,852
	SUPERIOR COURT	
72	Judges	$ 55,368-57,192
77	Staff personnel	$ 17,232-32,916
47	Secretarial personnel	$ 11,184-21,612
	DISTRICT COURT	
146	Judges	$ 44,832-46,620
623	Magistrates	$ 12,764-21,800
29	Staff personnel	$ 12,156-18,036
11	Secretarial personnel	$ 10,704-19,716
	DISTRICT ATTORNEYS	
35	District Attorneys	$ 51,504
266	Staff personnel	$ 13,872-56,976
85	Secretarial personnel	$ 10,704-19,712
	CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT	
100	Clerks of Superior Court	$ 30,000-44,500
1,500	Staff personnel	$ 11,644-25,980
	INDIGENT REPRESENTATION	
1	Appellate Defender	54,085
7	Assistant Appellate Defenders	$ 22,008-34,008
3	Secretarial personnel	$ 12,156-16,464
7	Public Defenders	$ 51,504
62	Staff personnel	$ 18-036-52,008
21	Secretarial personnel	$ 11,748-23,700
4	Special counsel at mental hospitals	$ 21,840-28,968
4	Secretarial personnel	$ 10,704-15,780
1	Guardian and Litem, Program Administrator	$ 31,416
16	Program Coordinators	$ 7,566-24,792
1	Program Analyst	$ 9,672
8	Secretarial personnel	$ 11,184-16,464
	JUVENILE PROBATION AND AFTERCARE	
268	Court counselors	$ 14,484-36,144
45	Secretarial personnel	$ 11,184-16,464
	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS	
1	Administrative Officer of the Courts	$ 57,192
1	Assistant Director	$ 46,620
127	Staff personnel	$ 11,184-53,004

PART IV

TRIAL COURTS CASEFLOW DATA

- Superior Court Division
- District Court Division

TRIAL COURTS CASE DATA

This part of the *Annual Report* presents pertinent data on a district-by-district and county-by-county basis. For ease of reference, this part is divided into a superior court division section and a district court division section.

The data within the two sections generally parallel each other in terms of organization, with each section subdivided into civil and criminal case categories. With some exceptions, there are three basic data tables for each case category: a caseload inventory (filings, dispositions and pending) table; a table on the manner of dispositions; and a table on ages of cases disposed of during the year and ages of cases pending at the end of the year. Pending and age data are not provided for district court motor vehicle criminal cases, for civil cases (small claims) referred to magistrates, and for juvenile cases, inasmuch as these categories of cases are not reported by case file number.

The caseload inventory tables provide a statistical picture of caseflow during the 1984-85 year. Items recorded in this table include the number of cases pending at the beginning of the year, the number of new cases filed, the number of cases disposed of during the year, and the number of cases left pending at the end of the year. The caseload inventory also shows the total caseload (the number pending at the beginning of the year plus the number filed during the year) and the percentage of the caseload which was disposed of during the year.

The aging tables show the ages of the cases pending on June 30, 1985 as well as the ages of the cases disposed of during 1984-85. These tables also show both mean (average) and median ages for each set of cases—those pending at the end of the year and those that were disposed of during the year. The median age of a group of cases is, by definition, the age of a hypothetical case which is older than 50% of the total set of cases and younger than the other 50%.

Unlike the median, the mean age can be substantially raised (or lowered) if even a small number of very old (or very young) cases are included. For example, if only a single two-year old case was included among ten cases aged three months, the median age would be 90 days and the mean (average) age would be 148.2 days. A substantial difference between the median and average ages, therefore, indicates the presence of a number of rather long-pending, or short-pending, cases.

Separate summary tables at the end of Part IV show the comparative rankings, for the 1984-85 year, in terms of percentage of disposition of caseloads for the 34 judicial districts and the 100 counties.

The case statistics in Part IV have been calculated from filing and disposition case data submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) by the 100 clerks of superior court across the State. The present case reporting system is primarily a manual one: weekly reports from each clerk's office are mailed to Raleigh, where they are computer-coded, entered and processed. Pending case information is computer-calculated from the filing and disposition data. The accuracy of the pending case figures is, of course, dependent upon timely and accurate filing and disposition data.

Periodic comparisons by clerk personnel of their actual pending case files against AOC's computer-produced pending case lists, followed by indicated corrections, is necessary to maintain completely accurate data in the AOC computer file. Yet, staff resource in the clerks' offices is not sufficient to make such physical inventory checks as frequently and as completely as would be necessary to maintain full accuracy in AOC's computer files. Thus, it is recognized that some of the figures published in the following tables have errors of some degree.

Another accuracy-related problem inherent in a manual reporting system is the lack of absolute consistency in the published year-end and year-beginning pending figures. The number of cases pending at the end of a reporting year should ideally be identical with the number of published pending cases at the *beginning* of the next reporting year. In reality, this is rarely the case. Experience has shown that inevitably some filings and dispositions which occurred in the preceding year do not get reported until the subsequent year. The later-reported data is regarded as being more complete reporting and is used, thereby producing some differences between the prior year's end-pending figures and the current year's beginning-pending figures.

Notwithstanding the indicated limitations in the data reporting and data-processing system, it is believed that the published figures are sufficiently adequate to fully justify their use. In any event, the published figures are the best and most accurate data currently available.

PART IV, Section 1

Superior Court Division

Caseflow Data

The Superior Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseflow during the 1984-85 year of cases pending, filed, and disposed of in the State's superior courts; that is, cases before superior court judges. Data is also presented on cases pending, filed and disposed of before the 100 clerks of superior court, who have original jurisdiction over estate cases and special proceedings.

There are, for statistical reporting purposes, three categories of cases filed in the superior courts: civil cases, felony cases which are within the original jurisdiction of the superior courts, and misdemeanor appeals from the district courts to superior courts, for trial *de novo*.

During 1984-85, as in previous years, the greatest proportion of superior court filings were felonies (47.8%), followed by misdemeanor appeals (36.2%) and civil cases (15.5%). The general trend over the past decade has been for increases in the total number of case filings. During 1984-85, total case filings in superior courts increased by 6.2% from last fiscal year (from 80,558 total cases to 85,569). Misdemeanor appeal filings increased by 19.6% and civil filings increased by 9.4% over last year. For the second straight year, however, felony filings decreased, by 3.0% in 1984-85.

As in previous years, superior court civil cases generally take much longer to dispose of than do criminal cases. During 1984-85, the median age at disposition of civil cases was 314 days, compared to a median age at disposition of 84 days for felonies and 67 days for misdemeanors. A similar pattern exists for the ages of pending cases. The median ages of superior court cases pending at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1985, was 236 days for civil cases, 88 days for felonies, and 72 days for misdemeanors.

These differences in the median ages of civil versus criminal cases in superior courts can be attributed in part to the priority given criminal cases. In criminal cases, a defendant has a right to a "speedy trial" guaranteed by both the United States and North Carolina Constitutions and by the North Carolina Speedy Trial Act (G.S. 15A-701 *et seq.*). The Speedy Trial Act requires cases to go to trail within 120 days of filing unless there has been justifiable delay for one or more of the reasons set out in the statute. There is no comparable *statutory* standard for speedy disposition of civil cases in North Carolina, although the North Carolina Constitution does provide that "right and justice shall be administered without favor, denial, or delay" (Article I, Section 18, N.C. Constitution).

Comparing 1984-85 median-age data with the same information from 1983-84, it is seen that there have been slight increases in the median age at disposition for all three case categories. From 1983-84 to 1984-85, the median ages at disposition increased slightly for civil cases, from 313 to 314 days; from 80 to 84 days for felonies; and from 65 to 67 days for misdemeanors. However, for all three case types, the median ages of the caseload pending on June 30, 1985, were lower than the corresponding median ages for June 30, 1984. The median age of civil cases pending in the superior courts on June 30, 1985, was 236 days, compared to 271 days on June 30, 1984; for felonies, 88 days on June 30, 1985, compared to 89 days on June 30, 1984; and for misdemeanors, 72 days on June 30, 1985, compared to 78 days on June 30, 1984.

For the first time, data are available to break the three major case categories (civil, felony, and misdemeanor) into more specific case types.

Negligence cases comprised 45% of total civil filings in superior courts (6,144 of 13,654 total civil filings). Contract cases comprised the next largest category of civil case filing: 23.2% (3,167 filings).

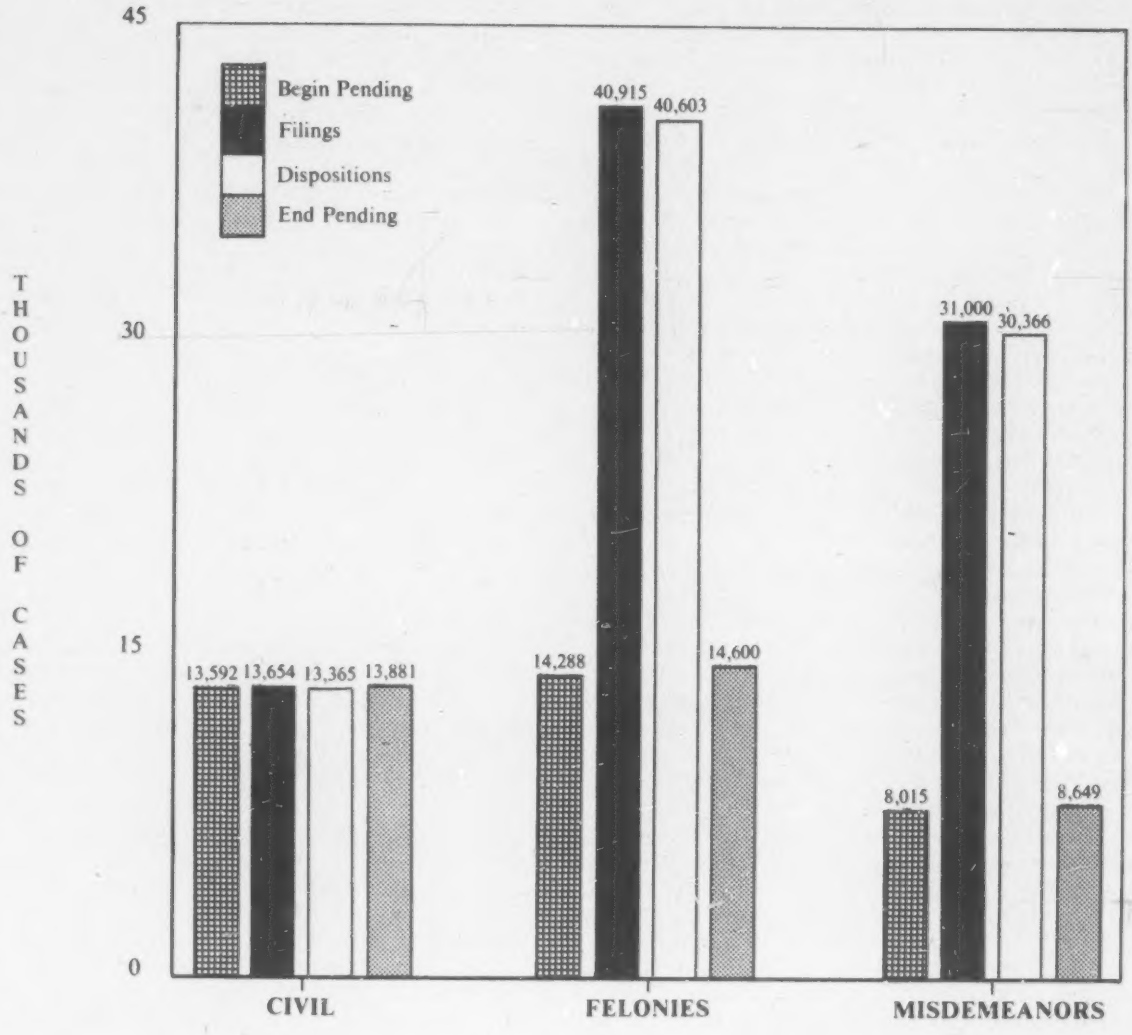
For the felony category, burglary (17.5%), larceny (17.0%), and controlled substance violations (16.4%) accounted for the largest numbers of felony filings during 1984-85.

Non-motor vehicle appeals comprised 54.2% of misdemeanor filings in the superior courts, and driving while intoxicated cases comprised 20.4% of misdemeanor appeal filings.

Tables which follow present data on the manner of disposition of superior court cases. Jury trials in superior court continue to account for a low percentage of case dispositions: 7.7% of civil cases (1,031 of 13,365 civil dispositions); 5.2% of felonies (2,121 of 40,603 felony dispositions); and 4.8% of misdemeanors (1,456 of 30,366 misdemeanor dispositions). Nearly half (49.9%) of all civil dispositions were by voluntary dismissal (6,667 of 13,365 dispositions). As in previous years, most criminal cases are disposed of by guilty plea; 63.2% of all felony (25,659 of 40,603), and 40.3% of all misdemeanor dispositions (12,251 of 30,366) were by guilty plea, with most of these being guilty pleas to the offense as charged.

SUPERIOR COURT CASELOAD

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985



Compared to last year, filings increased during fiscal 1984-85 by 9.4% for civil cases and 19.6% for misdemeanor appeals. Filings decreased for felonies by 3.0%. Similarly, dispositions increased for civil cases (by only 0.6%) and misdemeanor appeals (by 20.0%), and decreased for felonies (by 2.6%). The net result was that the number of cases pending on June 30, 1985 increased from the number of cases pending June 30, 1984, by 1.5% for civil cases, 1.4% for felonies, and 8.8% for misdemeanor appeals.

CASELOAD TRENDS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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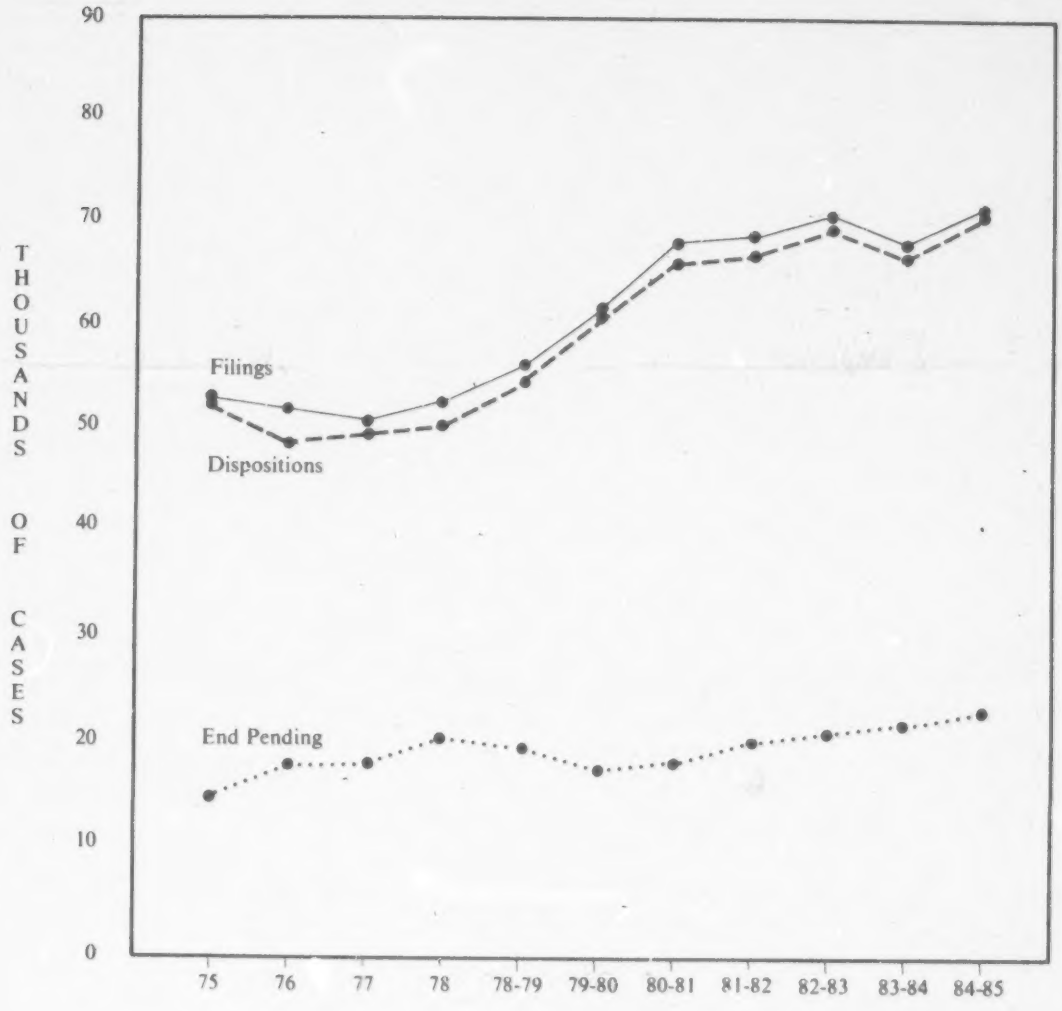

Filings and dispositions in the superior courts resumed their earlier patterns after a decline during 1983-84. Civil filings in the superior courts increased 9.4% over last year, along with the 19.6% growth in misdemeanor appeals. Dispositions increased similarly.

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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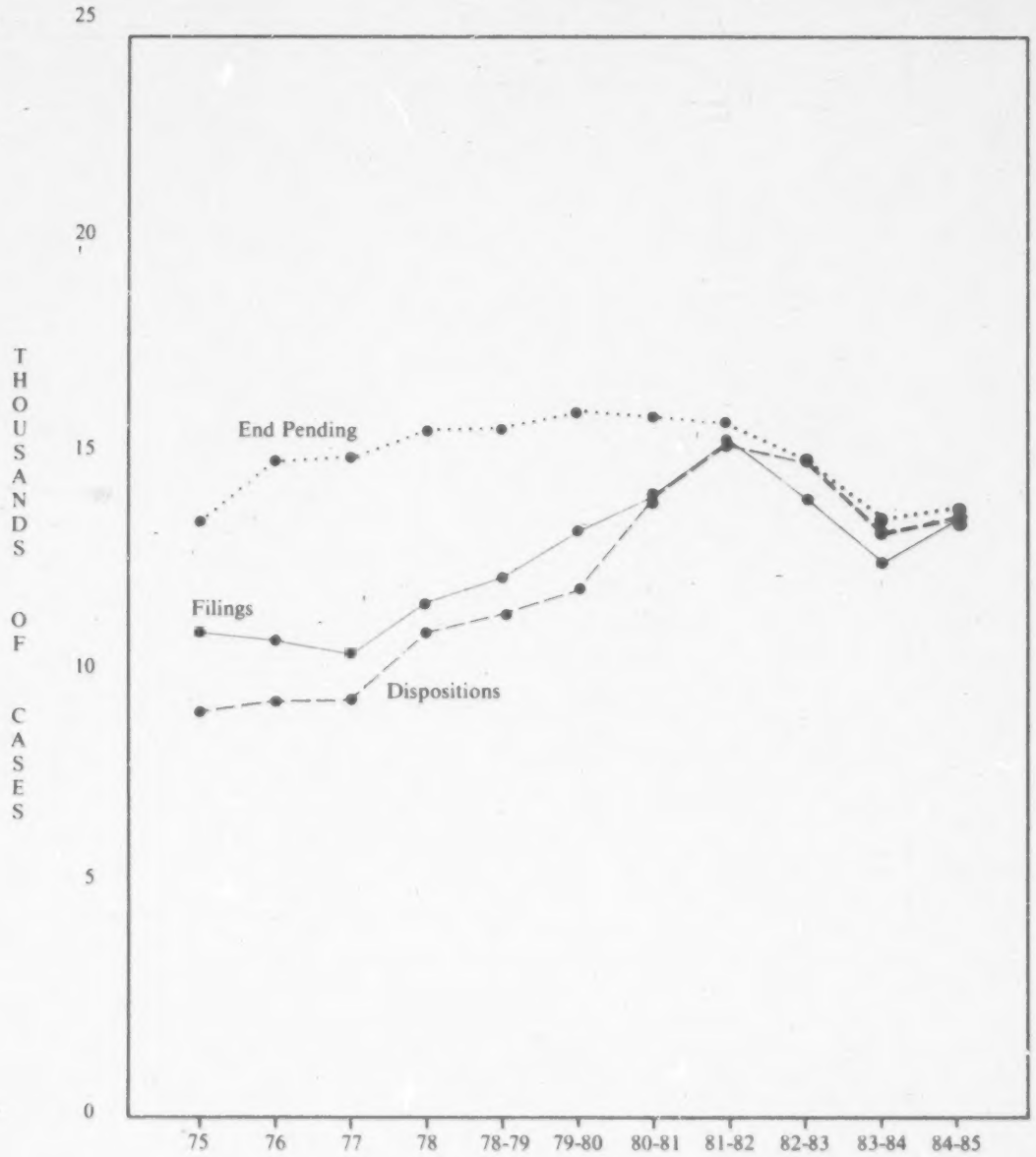
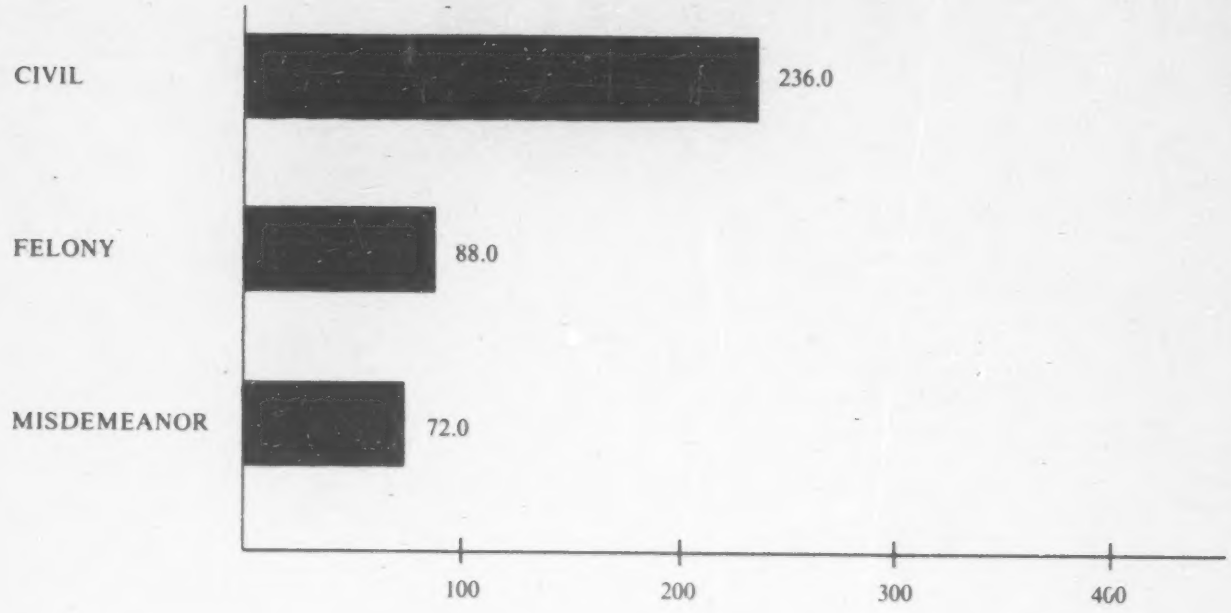


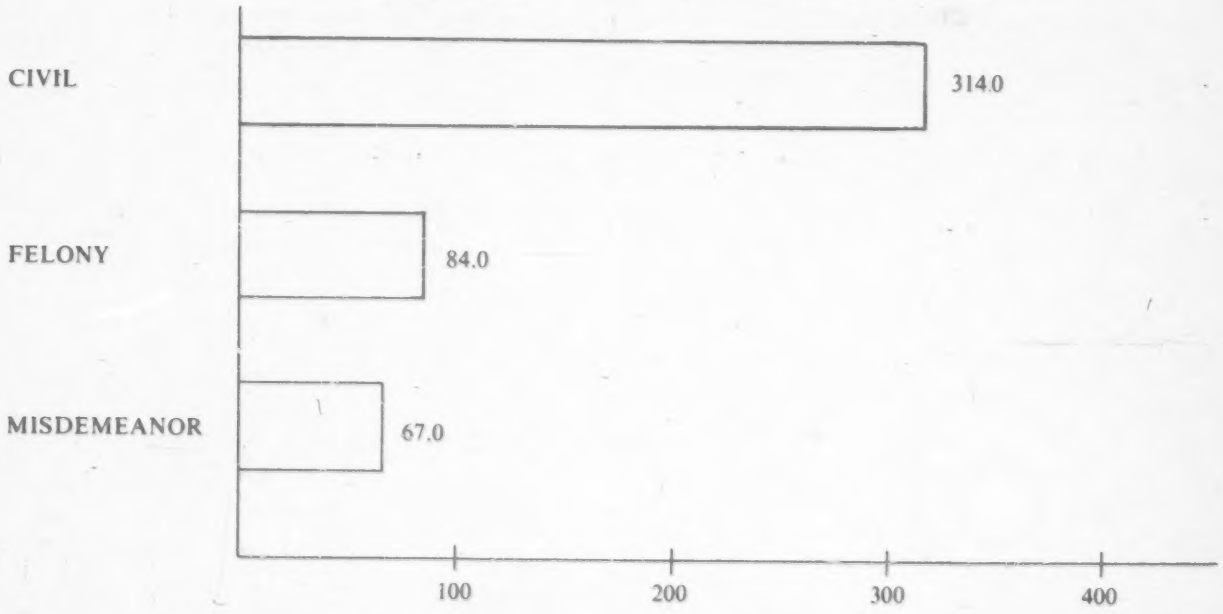
Civil filings in the superior courts increased for the first time since 1981-82. Dispositions also increased, but not as much, leaving an increased number of cases pending at year end.

MEDIAN AGES OF SUPERIOR COURT CASES

Median Ages (in days) of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

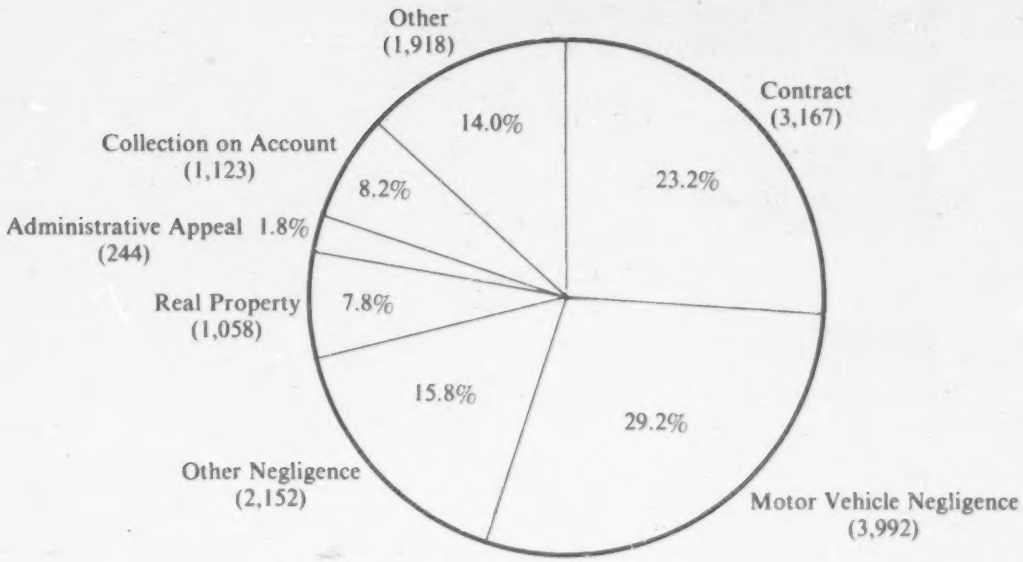


Median Ages (in days) of Cases Disposed of During 1984-85



The median age is the age with respect to which 50% of all cases in the category are younger and 50% of all cases are older than the median age; it is the 50th percentile of ages of all cases in the category. As shown in the above graphs, the median ages of all civil superior court cases pending and disposed during fiscal year 1984-85 are greater than the median ages of criminal superior court cases pending and disposed. This is due to civil cases taking longer than criminal cases to process.

FILINGS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS - BY TYPE OF CASE
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985



For the first year, data are available to specify the case types given above. Almost half (45%) of the civil cases filed statewide during fiscal 1984-85 were negligence cases (6,144 of the 13,654 total civil filings). Included in the "Other" category are nonnegligent torts such as conversion of property, civil fraud, and civil assault.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 31, 1985

	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 1						
Camden	13	6	19	9	47.4	10
Chowan	31	23	54	31	57.4	23
Currituck	23	55	78	30	38.5	48
Dare	90	102	192	89	46.4	103
Gates	12	11	23	8	34.8	15
Pasquotank	52	63	115	54	47.0	61
Perquimans	25	9	34	18	52.9	16
District Totals	246	269	515	239	46.4	276
District 2						
Beaufort	82	78	160	79	49.4	81
Hyde	13	10	23	7	30.4	16
Martin	34	38	72	34	47.2	38
Tyrrell	7	8	15	7	46.7	8
Washington	29	34	63	31	49.2	32
District Totals	165	168	333	158	47.4	175
District 3						
Carteret	137	140	277	137	49.5	140
Craven	193	195	388	194	50.0	194
Pamlico	16	14	30	14	46.7	16
Pitt	214	278	492	228	46.3	264
District Totals	560	627	1,187	573	48.3	614
District 4						
Duplin	91	81	172	72	41.9	100
Jones	19	5	24	6	25.0	18
Onslow	200	229	429	177	41.3	252
Sampson	74	72	146	76	52.1	70
District Totals	384	387	771	331	42.9	440
District 5						
New Hanover	209	302	511	217	42.5	294
Pender	31	28	59	21	35.6	38
District Totals	240	330	570	238	41.8	332
District 6						
Bertie	15	31	46	22	47.8	24
Halifax	59	66	125	56	44.8	69
Hertford	46	47	93	52	55.9	41
Northampton	28	27	55	25	45.5	30
District Totals	148	171	319	155	48.6	164
District 7						
Edgecombe	65	91	156	82	52.6	74
Nash	117	149	266	132	49.6	134
Wilson	81	123	204	100	49.0	104
District Totals	263	363	626	314	50.2	312
District 8						
Greene	15	30	45	32	71.1	13
Lenoir	151	145	296	151	51.0	145
Wayne	202	206	408	194	47.5	214
District Totals	368	381	749	377	50.3	372

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 31, 1985

	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 9						
Franklin	47	55	102	43	42.2	59
Granville	37	63	100	38	38.0	62
Person	30	46	76	39	51.3	37
Vance	52	56	108	46	42.6	62
Warren	26	19	45	16	35.6	29
District Totals	192	239	431	182	42.2	249
District 10						
Wake	1,038	1,124	2,162	1,053	48.7	1,109
District 11						
Harnett	92	137	229	128	55.9	101
Johnston	130	241	371	224	60.4	147
Lee	55	73	128	72	56.3	56
District Totals	277	451	728	424	58.2	304
District 12						
Cumberland	457	375	832	329	39.5	503
Hoke	15	9	24	12	50.0	12
District Totals	472	384	856	341	39.8	515
District 13						
Bladen	41	42	83	34	41.0	49
Brunswick	61	77	138	49	35.5	89
Columbus	138	108	246	92	37.4	154
District Totals	240	227	467	175	37.5	292
District 14						
Durham	390	464	854	413	48.4	441
District 15A						
Alamance	186	97	283	109	38.5	174
District 15B						
Chatham	45	61	106	67	63.2	39
Orange	130	140	270	144	53.3	126
District Totals	175	201	376	211	56.1	165
District 16						
Robeson	141	157	298	123	41.3	175
Scotland	29	51	80	31	38.8	49
District Totals	170	208	378	154	40.7	224
District 17A						
Caswell	8	21	29	11	37.9	18
Rockingham	80	142	222	128	57.7	94
District Totals	88	163	251	139	55.4	112
District 17B						
Stokes	31	20	51	38	74.5	13
Surry	102	117	219	140	63.9	79
District Totals	133	137	270	178	65.9	92

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 31, 1985

	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 18						
Guilford	1,470	872	2,342	1,055	45.0	1,287
District 19A						
Cabarrus	129	94	223	120	53.8	103
Rowan	110	133	243	128	52.7	115
District Totals	239	227	466	248	53.2	218
District 19B						
Montgomery	21	13	34	15	44.1	19
Randolph	148	90	238	104	43.7	134
District Totals	169	103	272	119	43.8	153
District 20						
Anson	57	51	108	52	48.1	56
Moore	93	148	241	83	34.4	158
Richmond	73	58	131	60	45.8	71
Stanly	77	50	127	65	51.2	62
Union	145	134	279	123	44.1	156
District Totals	445	441	886	383	43.2	503
District 21						
Forsyth	562	589	1,151	693	60.2	458
District 22						
Alexander	28	34	62	34	54.8	28
Davidson	121	212	333	169	50.8	164
Davie	32	39	71	43	60.6	28
Iredell	128	157	285	159	55.8	126
District Totals	309	442	751	405	53.9	346
District 23						
Alleghany	14	13	27	17	63.0	10
Ashe	26	41	67	46	68.7	21
Wilkes	125	130	255	135	52.9	120
Yadkin	34	36	70	46	65.7	24
District Totals	199	220	419	244	58.2	175
District 24						
Avery	39	43	82	51	62.2	31
Madison	58	53	111	38	34.2	73
Mitchell	34	24	58	27	46.6	31
Watauga	72	62	134	74	55.2	60
Yancey	10	14	24	14	58.3	10
District Totals	213	196	409	204	49.9	205
District 25						
Burke	167	115	282	152	53.9	130
Caldwell	110	143	253	130	51.4	123
Catawba	206	271	477	261	54.7	216
District Totals	483	529	1,012	543	53.7	469
District 26						
Mecklenburg	2,170	1,894	4,064	2,064	50.8	2,000

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	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 27A						
Gaston	293	479	772	421	54.5	351
District 27B						
Cleveland	124	150	274	142	51.8	132
Lincoln	59	55	114	67	58.8	47
District Totals	183	205	388	209	53.9	179
District 28						
Buncombe	382	455	837	472	56.4	365
District ?						
Henderson	153	99	252	91	36.1	161
McDowell	60	63	123	54	43.9	69
Polk	16	18	34	15	44.1	19
Rutherford	94	94	188	71	37.8	117
Transylvania	51	53	104	44	42.3	60
District Totals	374	327	701	275	39.2	426
District 30						
Cherokee	32	30	62	22	35.5	40
Clay	9	10	19	9	47.4	10
Graham	15	19	34	9	26.5	25
Haywood	119	99	218	94	43.1	124
Jackson	82	48	130	62	47.7	68
Macon	79	58	137	52	38.0	85
Swain	30	20	50	18	36.0	32
District Totals	366	284	650	266	40.9	384
State Totals	13,592	13,654	27,246	13,365	49.1	13,881

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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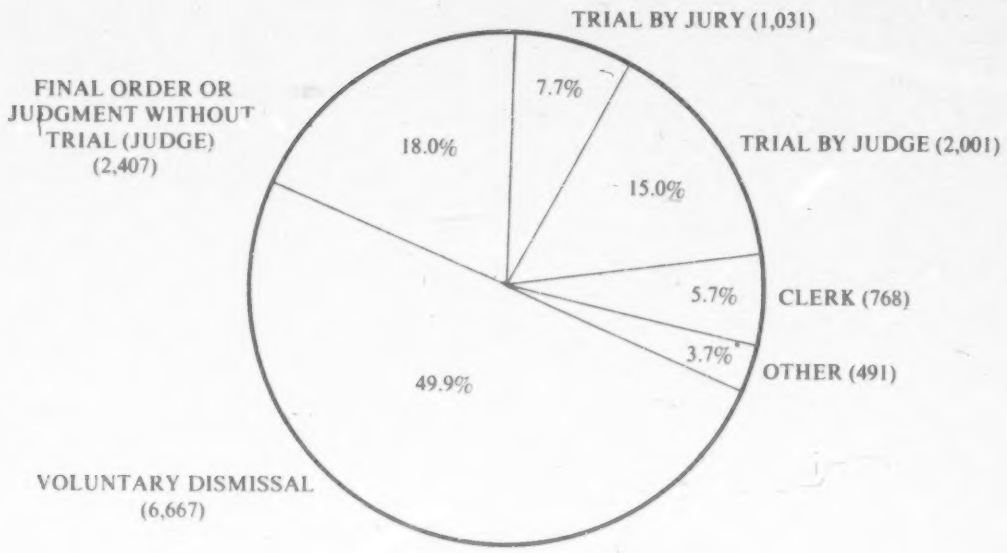

As in previous years, voluntary dismissals represent the largest proportion of dispositions of civil cases in superior courts. The next most prominent dispositions category, pretrial orders or judgments by a judge, include such matters as summary and consent judgments, and change of venue orders. The category "Other" includes miscellaneous dispositions such as discontinuance for lack of service of process under Civil Rule 4(e), dismissal on motion of the court, and removal to federal court.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 1							
Camden	2	1	4	2	0	0	9
Chowan	4	8	7	2	4	6	31
Currituck	0	10	9	7	2	2	30
Dare	4	7	36	20	11	11	89
Gates	2	1	5	0	0	0	8
Pasquotank	3	8	21	9	9	4	54
Perquimans	1	3	7	4	1	2	18
District Totals	16	38	89	44	27	25	239
% of Total	6.7%	15.9%	37.2%	18.4%	11.3%	10.5%	100.0%
District 2							
Beaufort	8	21	39	7	3	1	79
Hyde	0	0	0	5	2	0	7
Martin	5	0	13	9	2	5	34
Tyrrell	1	1	4	1	0	0	7
Washington	1	2	15	9	1	3	31
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District Totals	15	24	71	31	8	9	158
% of Total	9.5%	15.2%	44.9%	19.6%	5.1%	5.7%	100.0%
District 3							
Carteret	13	25	63	17	9	10	137
Craven	10	7	113	35	21	8	194
Pamlico	0	1	6	0	2	5	14
Pitt	23	37	95	52	15	6	228
District Totals	46	70	277	104	47	29	573
% of Total	8.0%	12.2%	48.3%	18.2%	8.2%	5.1%	100.0%
District 4							
Duplin	8	2	24	22	11	5	72
Jones	1	0	3	1	0	1	6
Onslow	11	8	94	43	16	5	177
Sampson	5	26	32	4	8	1	76
District Totals	25	36	153	70	35	12	331
% of Total	7.6%	10.9%	46.2%	21.1%	10.6%	3.6%	100.0%
District 5							
New Hanover	17	22	88	79	9	2	217
Pender	3	6	7	4	1	0	21
District Totals	20	28	95	83	10	2	238
% of Total	8.4%	11.8%	39.9%	34.9%	4.2%	0.8%	100.0%
District 6							
Bertie	2	1	5	5	2	7	22
Halifax	0	9	29	11	3	4	56
Hertford	1	2	18	19	10	2	52
Northampton	0	10	11	1	2	1	25
District Totals	3	22	63	36	17	14	155
% of Total	1.9%	14.2%	40.6%	23.2%	11.0%	9.0%	100.0%
District 7							
Edgecombe	7	7	42	17	6	3	82
Nash	8	8	63	34	10	9	132
Wilson	11	8	44	16	7	14	100
District Totals	26	23	149	67	23	26	314
% of Total	8.3%	7.3%	47.5%	21.3%	7.3%	8.3%	100.0%

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 8							
Greene	0	0	4	12	0	16	32
Lenoir	11	24	73	29	13	1	151
Wayne	9	34	103	34	11	3	194
District Totals	20	58	180	75	24	20	377
% of Total	5.3%	15.4%	47.7%	19.9%	6.4%	5.3%	100.0%
District 9							
Franklin	1	0	25	11	5	1	43
Granville	0	5	19	10	0	4	38
Person	1	6	21	6	2	3	39
Vance	2	11	27	3	0	3	46
Warren	3	2	8	2	1	0	16
District Totals	7	24	100	32	8	11	182
% of Total	3.8%	13.2%	54.9%	17.6%	4.4%	6.0%	100.0%
District 10							
Wake	56	100	466	313	72	46	1,053
% of Total	5.3%	9.5%	44.3%	29.7%	6.8%	4.4%	100.0%
District 11							
Harnett	16	14	67	23	3	5	128
Johnston	9	36	82	39	49	9	224
Lee	6	13	37	9	6	1	72
District Totals	31	63	186	71	58	15	424
% of Total	7.3%	14.9%	43.9%	16.7%	13.7%	3.5%	100.0%
District 12							
Cumberland	21	71	192	26	15	4	329
Hoke	1	2	8	0	1	0	12
District Totals	22	73	200	26	16	4	341
% of Total	6.5%	21.4%	58.7%	7.6%	4.7%	1.2%	100.0%
District 13							
Bladen	6	8	14	4	0	2	34
Brunswick	5	5	24	12	3	0	49
Columbus	9	30	38	7	4	4	92
District Totals	20	43	76	23	7	6	175
% of Total	11.4%	24.6%	43.4%	13.1%	4.0%	3.4%	100.0%
District 14							
Durham	38	47	200	85	33	10	413
% of Total	9.2%	11.4%	48.4%	20.6%	8.0%	2.4%	100.0%
District 15A							
Alamance	8	24	66	8	0	3	109
% of Total	7.3%	22.0%	60.6%	7.3%	0.0%	2.8%	100.0%
District 15B							
Chatham	6	6	33	15	2	5	67
Orange	21	10	71	24	4	14	144
District Totals	27	16	104	39	6	19	211
% of Total	12.8%	7.6%	49.3%	18.5%	2.8%	9.0%	100.0%

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	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 16							
Robeson	11	47	51	7	5	2	123
Scotland	4	2	13	7	2	3	31
District Totals	15	49	64	14	7	5	154
% of Total	9.7%	31.8%	41.6%	9.1%	4.5%	3.2%	100.0%
District 17A							
Caswell	0	0	6	2	2	1	11
Rockingham	13	19	65	11	19	1	128
District Totals	13	19	71	13	21	2	139
% of Total	9.4%	13.7%	51.1%	9.4%	15.1%	1.4%	100.0%
District 17B							
Stokes	0	6	17	9	1	5	38
Surry	9	21	65	36	9	0	140
District Totals	9	27	82	45	10	5	178
District 18							
Guilford	63	241	590	87	47	27	1055
District 19A							
Cabarrus	10	26	72	6	6	0	120
Rowan	21	15	57	21	5	9	128
District Totals	31	41	129	27	11	9	248
District 19B							
Montgomery	1	3	5	4	1	1	15
Randolph	6	22	51	19	2	4	104
District Totals	7	25	56	23	3	5	119
% of Total	5.9%	21.0%	47.1%	19.3%	2.5%	4.2%	100.0%
District 20							
Anson	8	5	21	15	3	0	52
Moore	2	25	35	14	6	0	82
Richmond	2	14	22	4	15	3	60
Stanly	6	13	32	14	0	0	65
Union	11	18	71	11	6	6	123
District Totals	29	75	181	58	30	10	383
% of Total	7.6%	19.6%	47.4%	15.2%	7.9%	2.4%	100.0%
District 21							
Forsyth	54	41	392	130	55	21	693
% of Total	7.8%	5.9%	56.6%	18.8%	7.9%	3.0%	100.0%
District 22							
Alexander	4	0	18	7	3	2	34
Davidson	13	16	86	30	11	13	169
Davie	2	14	16	7	2	2	43
Iredell	16	27	82	9	19	6	159
District Totals	35	57	202	53	35	23	405
% of Total	8.6%	14.1%	49.9%	13.1%	8.6%	5.7%	100.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 23							
Alleghany	4	2	4	1	1	5	17
Ashe	2	0	18	22	0	4	46
Wilkes	11	9	80	28	5	2	135
Yadkin	11	2	20	7	0	6	46
District Totals	28	13	122	58	6	17	244
% of Total	11.5%	5.3%	50.0%	23.8%	2.5%	7.0%	100.0%
District 24							
Avery	0	14	25	7	3	2	51
Madison	4	0	9	23	0	2	38
Mitchell	1	2	12	7	1	4	27
Watauga	4	4	42	17	2	5	74
Yancey	1	0	10	1	0	2	14
District Totals	10	20	98	55	6	15	204
% of Total	4.9%	9.8%	48.0%	27.0%	2.9%	7.4%	100.0%
District 25							
Burke	19	39	83	5	3	3	152
Caldwell	13	6	72	29	5	5	130
Catawba	13	42	127	47	23	9	261
District Totals	45	87	282	81	31	17	543
% of Total	8.3%	16.0%	51.9%	14.9%	5.7%	3.1%	100.0%
District 26							
Mecklenburg	151	328	1180	384	17	4	2,064
% of Total	7.3%	15.9%	57.2%	18.6%	0.8%	0.1%	100.0%
District 27A							
Gaston	37	65	216	64	16	23	421
% of Total	8.8%	15.4%	51.3%	15.2%	3.8%	5.5%	100.0%
District 27B							
Cleveland	8	35	74	12	6	7	142
Lincoln	16	6	23	17	5	0	67
District Totals	24	41	97	29	11	7	209
% of Total	11.5%	19.6%	46.4%	13.9%	5.3%	3.3%	100.0%
District 28							
Buncombe	65	103	196	65	24	19	472
% of Total	13.8%	21.9%	41.6%	13.8%	5.1%	3.8%	100.0%
District 29							
Henderson	8	17	47	10	4	5	91
McDowell	0	1	24	18	0	10	54
Polk	1	1	7	2	3	1	15
Rutherford	7	10	36	17	0	1	71
Transylvania	3	6	20	9	4	2	44
District Totals	19	35	135	56	11	19	275
% of Total	6.9%	12.7%	49.1%	20.4%	4.0%	6.9%	100.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Trial by						
	Jury	Judge	Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
District 30							
Cherokee	3	6	8	4	0	1	22
Clay	1	1	4	1	1	1	9
Graham	0	1	3	2	0	3	9
Haywood	2	16	35	10	31	0	94
Jackson	6	13	13	24	2	4	62
Macon	2	7	26	13	2	2	52
Swain	2	1	10	4	0	1	18
District Totals	16	45	99	58	36	12	266
% of Total	6.0%	16.9%	37.2%	21.8%	13.5%	4.5%	100.0%
State Totals	1,031	2,001	6,667	2,407	768	491	13,365
% of Total	7.7%	15.0%	49.9%	18.0%	5.7%	3.7%	100.0%

AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 1									
Camden	4	40.0%	5	50.0%	1	10.0%	10	367.3	390.0
Chowan	16	69.6%	3	13.0%	4	17.4%	23	356.4	255.0
Currituck	38	79.2%	6	12.5%	4	8.3%	48	263.4	208.0
Dare	65	63.1%	24	23.3%	14	13.6%	103	344.3	240.0
Gates	9	60.0%	4	26.7%	2	13.3%	15	352.9	283.0
Pasquotank	44	72.1%	11	18.0%	6	9.8%	61	272.4	173.0
Perquimans	4	25.0%	7	43.8%	5	31.3%	16	601.9	518.0
District Totals	180	65.2%	60	21.7%	36	13.0%	276	331.6	236.0
District 2									
Beaufort	51	63.0%	21	25.9%	9	11.1%	81	311.7	244.0
Hyde	7	43.8%	4	25.0%	5	31.3%	16	500.9	574.5
Martin	21	55.3%	11	28.9%	6	15.8%	38	468.7	323.0
Tyrrell	6	75.0%	2	25.0%	0	0.0%	8	304.9	280.5
Washington	23	71.9%	6	18.8%	3	9.4%	32	294.1	166.0
District Totals	108	61.7%	44	25.1%	23	13.1%	175	359.6	250.0
District 3									
Carteret	101	72.1%	28	20.0%	11	7.9%	140	290.3	205.0
Craven	131	67.5%	42	21.6%	21	10.8%	194	352.4	221.0
Pamlico	9	56.3%	2	12.5%	5	31.3%	16	472.7	320.0
Pitt	191	72.3%	57	21.6%	16	6.1%	264	274.5	191.5
District Totals	432	70.4%	129	21.0%	53	8.6%	614	307.9	210.5
District 4									
Duplin	57	57.0%	26	26.0%	17	17.0%	100	399.6	291.5
Jones	5	27.8%	6	33.3%	7	38.9%	18	809.3	518.0
Onslow	167	66.3%	44	17.5%	41	16.3%	252	369.5	234.0
Sampson	43	61.4%	18	25.7%	9	12.9%	70	343.7	266.5
District Totals	272	61.8%	94	21.4%	74	16.8%	440	390.3	268.5
District 5									
New Hanover	216	73.5%	55	18.7%	23	7.8%	294	293.5	208.0
Pender	24	63.2%	4	10.5%	10	26.3%	38	509.2	304.0
District Totals	240	72.3%	59	17.8%	33	9.9%	332	318.1	226.5
District 6									
Bertie	21	87.5%	1	4.2%	2	8.3%	24	253.6	136.0
Halifax	50	72.5%	11	15.9%	8	11.6%	69	386.1	181.0
Hertford	26	63.4%	10	24.4%	5	12.2%	41	353.0	234.0
Northampton	18	60.0%	5	16.7%	7	23.3%	30	416.4	326.0
District Totals	115	70.1%	27	16.5%	22	13.4%	164	364.0	197.5
District 7									
Edgecombe	59	79.7%	12	16.2%	3	4.1%	74	221.0	130.5
Nash	103	76.9%	24	17.9%	7	5.2%	134	271.6	184.5
Wilson	79	76.0%	17	16.3%	8	7.7%	104	287.2	203.0
District Totals	241	77.2%	53	17.0%	18	5.8%	312	264.8	178.5
District 8									
Greene	10	76.9%	3	23.1%	0	0.0%	13	220.5	171.0
Lenoir	100	69.0%	41	28.3%	4	2.8%	145	281.3	241.0
Wayne	143	66.8%	47	22.0%	24	11.2%	214	347.8	250.0
District Totals	253	68.0%	91	24.5%	28	7.5%	372	317.4	243.5

AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 9									
Franklin	37	62.7%	15	25.4%	7	11.9%	59	345.1	261.0
Granville	51	82.3%	10	16.1%	1	1.6%	62	231.4	180.5
Person	32	86.5%	5	13.5%	0	0.0%	37	162.2	110.0
Vance	40	64.5%	13	21.0%	9	14.5%	62	354.9	234.0
Warren	15	51.7%	9	31.0%	5	17.2%	29	411.8	298.0
District Totals	175	70.3%	52	20.9%	22	8.8%	249	299.8	207.0
District 10									
Wake	751	67.7%	262	23.6%	96	8.7%	1,109	308.3	227.0
District 11									
Harnett	87	86.1%	12	11.9%	2	2.0%	101	182.3	135.0
Johnston	124	84.4%	22	15.0%	1	0.7%	147	188.4	156.0
Lee	49	87.5%	7	12.5%	0	0.0%	56	173.0	118.0
District Totals	260	85.5%	41	13.5%	3	1.0%	304	183.5	132.0
District 12									
Cumberland	275	54.7%	136	27.0%	92	18.3%	503	423.9	334.0
Hoke	3	25.0%	7	58.3%	2	16.7%	12	463.3	424.0
District Totals	278	54.0%	143	27.8%	94	18.3%	515	424.8	338.0
District 13									
Bladen	29	59.2%	14	28.6%	6	12.2%	49	363.9	325.0
Brunswick	56	62.9%	25	28.1%	8	9.0%	89	336.2	276.0
Columbus	88	57.1%	40	26.0%	26	16.9%	154	390.2	315.5
District Totals	173	59.2%	79	27.1%	40	13.7%	292	369.3	304.0
District 14									
Durham	319	72.3%	91	20.6%	31	7.0%	441	277.0	199.0
District 15A									
Alamance	64	36.8%	56	32.2%	54	31.0%	174	588.6	509.0
District 15B									
Chatham	38	97.4%	1	2.6%	0	0.0%	39	142.3	129.0
Orange	99	78.6%	25	19.8%	2	1.6%	126	232.6	218.0
District Totals	137	83.0%	26	15.8%	2	1.2%	165	211.3	191.0
District 16									
Robeson	122	69.7%	31	17.7%	22	12.6%	175	307.7	236.0
Scotland	38	77.6%	10	20.4%	1	2.0%	49	265.8	258.0
District Totals	160	71.4%	41	18.3%	23	10.3%	224	298.5	238.5
District 17A									
Caswell	18	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	187.1	191.0
Rockingham	83	88.3%	10	10.6%	1	1.1%	94	177.9	124.5
District Totals	101	90.2%	10	8.9%	1	0.9%	112	179.4	143.0
District 17B									
Stokes	11	84.6%	2	15.4%	0	0.0%	13	191.7	124.0
Surry	70	88.6%	9	11.4%	0	0.0%	79	176.4	157.0
District Totals	81	88.0%	11	12.0%	0	0.0%	92	178.5	155.0

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 18									
Guilford	626	48.6%	363	28.2%	298	23.2%	1,287	452.2	377.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	71	68.9%	23	22.3%	9	8.7%	103	297.0	241.0
Rowan	97	84.3%	14	12.2%	4	3.5%	115	213.9	170.0
District Totals	168	77.1%	37	17.0%	13	6.0%	218	253.2	200.5
District 19B									
Montgomery	9	47.4%	5	26.3%	5	26.3%	19	522.2	482.0
Randolph	72	53.7%	34	25.4%	28	20.9%	134	465.0	346.0
District Totals	81	52.9%	39	25.5%	33	21.6%	153	472.1	353.0
District 20									
Anson	40	71.4%	8	14.3%	8	14.3%	56	319.5	214.5
Moore	123	77.8%	16	10.1%	19	12.0%	158	322.7	189.0
Richmond	38	53.5%	20	28.2%	13	18.3%	71	466.7	327.0
Stanly	34	54.8%	15	24.2%	13	21.0%	62	449.7	308.0
Union	103	66.0%	47	30.1%	6	3.8%	156	291.8	243.5
District Totals	338	67.2%	106	21.1%	59	11.7%	503	348.7	226.0
District 21									
Forsyth	375	81.9%	79	17.2%	4	0.9%	458	219.8	184.0
District 22									
Alexander	25	89.3%	3	10.7%	0	0.0%	28	175.0	131.0
Davidson	143	87.2%	18	11.0%	3	1.8%	164	187.3	139.0
Davie	21	75.0%	3	10.7%	4	14.3%	28	257.0	127.0
Iredell	111	88.1%	12	9.5%	3	2.4%	126	208.0	141.0
District Totals	300	86.7%	36	10.4%	10	2.9%	346	199.5	139.0
District 23									
Alleghany	8	80.0%	2	20.0%	0	0.0%	10	198.1	181.0
Ashe	15	71.4%	4	19.0%	2	9.5%	21	287.2	152.0
Wilkes	92	76.7%	23	19.2%	5	4.2%	120	252.4	193.0
Yadkin	21	87.5%	2	8.3%	1	4.2%	24	209.8	105.5
District Totals	136	77.7%	31	17.7%	8	4.6%	175	247.6	179.0
District 24									
Avery	24	77.4%	7	22.6%	0	0.0%	31	201.5	166.0
Madison	48	65.8%	21	28.8%	4	5.5%	73	291.8	223.0
Mitchell	16	51.6%	13	41.9%	2	6.5%	31	445.3	360.0
Watauga	46	76.7%	12	20.0%	2	3.3%	60	234.2	227.5
Yancey	8	80.0%	1	10.0%	1	10.0%	10	290.7	264.5
District Totals	142	69.3%	54	26.3%	9	4.4%	205	284.4	226.0
District 25									
Burke	80	61.5%	32	24.6%	18	13.8%	130	369.3	287.0
Caldwell	94	76.4%	20	16.3%	9	7.3%	123	263.4	153.0
Catawba	169	78.2%	29	13.4%	18	8.3%	216	266.9	170.0
District Totals	343	73.1%	81	17.3%	45	9.6%	469	294.4	192.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,272	63.6%	632	31.6%	96	4.8%	2,000	315.8	256.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	306	87.2%	39	11.1%	6	1.7%	351	198.8	166.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	109	82.6%	21	15.9%	2	1.5%	132	230.5	204.0
Lincoln	36	76.6%	10	21.3%	1	2.1%	47	268.9	237.0
District Totals	145	81.0%	31	17.3%	3	1.7%	179	240.6	221.0
District 28									
Buncombe	294	80.5%	51	14.0%	20	5.5%	365	258.7	160.0
District 29									
Henderson	73	45.3%	48	29.8%	40	24.8%	161	499.2	417.0
McDowell	53	76.8%	10	14.5%	6	8.7%	69	304.9	207.0
Polk	15	78.9%	2	10.5%	2	10.5%	19	264.8	121.0
Rutherford	74	63.2%	37	31.6%	6	5.1%	117	328.3	296.0
Transylvania	39	65.0%	18	30.0%	3	5.0%	60	314.8	271.5
District Totals	254	59.6%	115	27.0%	57	13.4%	426	384.4	294.5
District 30									
Cherokee	21	52.5%	16	40.0%	3	7.5%	40	405.3	363.0
Clay	6	60.0%	4	40.0%	0	0.0%	10	361.0	332.0
Graham	13	52.0%	10	40.0%	2	8.0%	25	346.3	289.0
Haywood	61	49.2%	42	33.9%	21	16.9%	124	423.3	367.5
Jackson	35	51.5%	14	20.6%	19	27.9%	68	533.3	351.5
Macon	41	48.2%	31	36.5%	13	15.3%	85	450.7	368.0
Swain	16	50.0%	7	21.9%	9	28.1%	32	530.3	370.0
District Totals	193	50.3%	124	32.3%	67	17.4%	384	449.3	363.0
State Totals	9,313	67.1%	3,187	23.0%	1,381	9.9%	13,881	325.1	236.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 1									
Camden	3	33.3%	2	22.2%	4	44.4%	9	681.0	498.0
Chowan	13	41.9%	8	25.8%	10	32.3%	31	832.6	445.0
Currituck	24	80.0%	3	10.0%	3	10.0%	30	304.4	192.0
Dare	49	55.1%	19	21.3%	21	23.6%	89	475.0	293.0
Gates	5	62.5%	2	25.0%	1	12.5%	8	355.1	263.5
Pasquotank	28	51.9%	22	40.7%	4	7.4%	54	342.3	304.5
Perquimans	8	44.4%	5	27.8%	5	27.8%	18	543.2	469.5
District Totals	130	54.4%	61	25.5%	48	20.1%	239	478.9	301.0
District 2									
Beaufort	49	62.0%	21	26.6%	9	11.4%	79	378.1	305.0
Hyde	4	57.1%	1	14.3%	2	28.6%	7	381.1	334.0
Martin	25	73.5%	7	20.6%	2	5.9%	34	294.9	278.5
Tyrrell	2	28.6%	2	28.6%	3	42.9%	7	709.0	533.0
Washington	16	51.6%	12	38.7%	3	9.7%	31	347.9	301.0
District Totals	96	60.8%	43	27.2%	19	12.0%	158	369.1	297.0
District 3									
Carteret	71	51.8%	39	28.5%	27	19.7%	137	420.6	338.0
Craven	121	62.4%	48	24.7%	25	12.9%	194	381.2	295.5
Pamlico	9	64.3%	3	21.4%	2	14.3%	14	365.8	234.5
Pitt	146	64.0%	59	25.9%	23	10.1%	228	332.6	243.5
District Totals	347	60.6%	149	26.0%	77	13.4%	573	370.9	281.0
District 4									
Duplin	40	55.6%	18	25.0%	14	19.4%	72	440.9	303.5
Jones	1	16.7%	4	66.7%	1	16.7%	6	519.7	529.5
Onslow	99	55.9%	48	27.1%	30	16.9%	177	420.4	333.0
Sampson	47	61.8%	19	25.0%	10	13.2%	76	337.5	277.5
District Totals	187	56.5%	89	26.9%	55	16.6%	331	407.6	315.0
District 5									
New Hanover	133	61.3%	44	20.3%	40	18.4%	217	375.0	263.0
Pender	8	38.1%	5	23.8%	8	38.1%	21	654.3	590.0
District Totals	141	59.2%	49	20.6%	48	20.2%	238	399.7	272.0
District 6									
Bertie	15	68.2%	6	27.3%	1	4.5%	22	348.5	299.5
Halifax	31	55.4%	17	30.4%	8	14.3%	56	443.9	337.5
Hertford	37	71.2%	10	19.2%	5	9.6%	52	338.3	208.0
Northampton	16	64.0%	7	28.0%	2	8.0%	25	305.2	245.0
District Totals	99	63.9%	40	25.8%	16	10.3%	155	372.5	277.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	60	73.2%	17	20.7%	5	6.1%	82	280.6	208.5
Nash	79	59.8%	34	25.8%	19	14.4%	132	369.8	276.0
Wilson	56	56.0%	32	32.0%	12	12.0%	100	359.8	302.5
District Totals	195	62.1%	83	26.4%	36	11.5%	314	343.3	261.5
District 8									
Greene	28	87.5%	3	9.4%	1	3.1%	32	168.9	109.5
Lenoir	79	52.3%	60	39.7%	12	7.9%	151	366.0	325.0
Wayne	110	56.7%	61	31.4%	23	11.9%	194	389.5	314.0
District Totals	217	57.6%	124	32.9%	36	9.5%	377	361.4	297.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 9									
Franklin	28	65.1%	10	23.3%	5	11.6%	43	311.3	223.0
Granville	18	47.4%	13	34.2%	7	18.4%	38	432.1	399.5
Person	26	66.7%	12	30.8%	1	2.6%	39	259.4	210.0
Vance	23	50.0%	16	34.8%	7	15.2%	46	386.4	346.5
Warren	10	62.5%	3	18.8%	3	18.8%	16	408.8	311.5
District Totals	105	57.7%	54	29.7%	23	12.6%	182	352.9	298.0
District 10									
Wake	612	58.1%	322	30.6%	119	11.3%	1,053	362.4	299.0
District 11									
Harnett	90	70.3%	32	25.0%	6	4.7%	128	284.7	255.0
Johnston	180	80.4%	38	17.0%	6	2.7%	224	210.9	146.5
Lee	54	75.0%	13	18.1%	5	6.9%	72	278.0	223.5
District Totals	324	76.4%	83	19.6%	17	4.0%	424	244.6	191.5
District 12									
Cumberland	168	51.1%	104	31.6%	57	17.3%	329	417.2	359.0
Hoke	12	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	12	156.7	130.0
District Totals	180	52.8%	104	30.5%	57	16.7%	341	408.1	351.0
District 13									
Bladen	20	58.8%	11	32.4%	3	8.8%	34	381.6	323.0
Brunswick	26	53.1%	16	32.7%	7	14.3%	49	384.3	363.0
Columbus	42	45.7%	23	25.0%	27	29.3%	92	518.1	394.5
District Totals	88	50.3%	50	28.6%	37	21.1%	175	454.1	365.0
District 14									
Durham	259	62.7%	122	29.5%	32	7.7%	413	325.5	266.0
District 15A									
Alamance	48	44.0%	34	31.2%	27	24.8%	109	503.8	399.0
District 15B									
Chatham	47	70.1%	15	22.4%	5	7.5%	67	298.7	271.0
Orange	83	57.6%	51	35.4%	10	6.9%	144	357.3	329.5
District Totals	130	61.6%	66	31.3%	15	7.1%	211	338.7	296.0
District 16									
Robeson	63	51.2%	36	29.3%	24	19.5%	123	439.4	345.0
Scotland	27	87.1%	2	6.5%	2	6.5%	31	238.5	186.0
District Totals	90	58.4%	38	24.7%	26	16.9%	154	399.0	302.5
District 17A									
Caswell	10	90.9%	1	9.1%	0	0.0%	11	232.0	246.0
Rockingham	107	83.6%	18	14.1%	3	2.3%	128	243.2	223.5
District Totals	117	84.2%	19	13.7%	3	2.2%	139	242.3	224.0
District 17B									
Stokes	30	78.9%	8	21.1%	0	0.0%	38	245.9	256.0
Surry	84	60.0%	55	39.3%	1	0.7%	140	308.3	330.0
District Totals	114	64.0%	63	35.4%	1	0.6%	178	295.0	314.5

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 18									
Guilford	395	37.4%	217	20.6%	443	42.0%	1,055	640.2	588.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	64	53.3%	44	36.7%	12	10.0%	120	381.1	344.5
Rowan	76	59.4%	44	34.4%	8	6.3%	128	328.9	299.5
District Totals	140	56.5%	88	35.5%	20	8.1%	248	354.1	310.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	9	60.0%	4	26.7%	2	13.3%	15	375.9	274.0
Randolph	48	46.2%	29	27.9%	27	26.0%	104	513.6	390.5
District Totals	57	47.9%	33	27.7%	29	24.4%	119	496.2	385.0
District 20									
Anson	25	48.1%	20	38.5%	7	13.5%	52	433.0	368.0
Moore	48	57.8%	22	26.5%	13	15.7%	83	418.6	342.0
Richmond	40	66.7%	14	23.3%	6	10.0%	60	355.8	281.0
Stanly	21	32.3%	19	29.2%	25	38.5%	65	590.8	596.0
Union	51	41.5%	50	40.7%	22	17.9%	123	440.4	446.0
District Totals	185	48.3%	125	32.6%	73	19.1%	383	446.9	384.0
District 21									
Forsyth	449	64.8%	231	33.3%	13	1.9%	693	307.8	301.0
District 22									
Alexander	25	73.5%	9	26.5%	0	0.0%	34	278.8	286.5
Davidson	108	63.9%	50	29.6%	11	6.5%	169	309.7	275.0
Davie	35	81.4%	8	18.6%	0	0.0%	43	232.8	249.0
Iredell	103	64.8%	44	27.7%	12	7.5%	159	316.4	275.0
District Totals	271	66.9%	111	27.4%	23	5.7%	405	301.6	275.0
District 23									
Alleghany	11	64.7%	5	29.4%	1	5.9%	17	361.5	296.0
Ashe	35	76.1%	9	19.6%	2	4.3%	46	275.4	230.5
Wilkes	59	43.7%	57	42.2%	19	14.1%	135	402.9	400.0
Yadkin	31	67.4%	13	28.3%	2	4.3%	46	300.0	269.5
District Totals	136	55.7%	84	34.4%	24	9.8%	244	356.6	321.5
District 24									
Avery	37	72.5%	12	23.5%	2	3.9%	51	272.8	247.0
Madison	20	52.6%	16	42.1%	2	5.3%	38	370.2	352.0
Mitchell	15	55.6%	8	29.6%	4	14.8%	27	424.5	336.0
Watauga	39	52.7%	32	43.2%	3	4.1%	74	347.7	360.0
Yancey	7	50.0%	6	42.9%	1	7.1%	14	378.3	364.0
District Totals	118	57.8%	74	36.3%	12	5.9%	204	345.4	328.0
District 25									
Burke	55	36.2%	61	40.1%	36	23.7%	152	588.0	472.0
Caldwell	87	66.9%	39	30.0%	4	3.1%	130	303.2	258.5
Catawba	170	65.1%	64	24.5%	27	10.3%	261	344.3	273.0
District Totals	312	57.5%	164	30.2%	67	12.3%	543	402.7	313.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	943	45.7%	614	29.7%	507	24.6%	2,064	475.3	455.5

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	301	71.5%	100	23.8%	20	4.8%	421	293.1	254.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	82	57.7%	51	35.9%	9	6.3%	142	334.4	315.5
Lincoln	40	59.7%	26	38.8%	1	1.5%	67	298.8	318.0
District Totals	122	58.4%	77	36.8%	10	4.8%	209	323.0	317.0
District 28									
Buncombe	346	73.3%	108	22.9%	18	3.8%	472	284.2	234.0
District 29									
Henderson	42	46.2%	20	22.0%	29	31.9%	91	477.1	413.0
McDowell	30	55.6%	22	40.7%	2	3.7%	54	354.5	330.5
Polk	7	46.7%	5	33.3%	3	20.0%	15	457.8	553.0
Rutherford	31	43.7%	23	32.4%	17	23.9%	71	456.8	492.0
Transylvania	22	50.0%	18	40.9%	4	9.1%	44	367.6	365.5
District Totals	132	48.0%	88	32.0%	55	20.0%	275	429.2	376.0
District 30									
Cherokee	13	59.1%	6	27.3%	3	13.6%	22	385.5	304.0
Clay	4	44.4%	5	55.6%	0	0.0%	9	359.9	416.0
Graham	7	77.8%	2	22.2%	0	0.0%	9	187.8	132.0
Haywood	56	59.6%	23	24.5%	15	16.0%	94	335.4	192.0
Jackson	20	32.3%	14	22.6%	28	45.2%	62	759.0	590.5
Macon	25	48.1%	16	30.8%	11	21.2%	52	455.6	381.0
Swain	7	38.9%	7	38.9%	4	22.2%	18	478.3	489.5
District Totals	132	49.6%	73	27.4%	61	22.9%	266	467.3	371.5
State Totals	7,518	56.3%	3,780	28.3%	2,067	15.5%	13,365	400.1	314.0

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 1				
Camden	50	46	23	28
Chowan	147	168	79	128
Currituck	120	97	51	40
Dare	135	160	113	153
Gates	64	62	49	44
Pasquotank	216	241	126	137
Perquimans	92	58	41	34
District Totals	824	832	482	564
District 2				
Beaufort	408	115	167	111
Hyde	64	56	40	36
Martin	211	170	141	193
Tyrrell	29	32	13	12
Washington	96	80	62	70
District Totals	808	453	423	422
District 3				
Carteret	420	415	238	164
Craven	379	336	349	303
Pamlico	64	63	30	40
Pitt	589	607	487	365
District Totals	1,452	1,421	1,104	872
District 4				
Duplin	345	285	233	182
Jones	81	70	38	82
Onslow	407	335	792	601
Sampson	446	427	327	355
District Totals	1,279	1,117	1,390	1,220
District 5				
New Hanover	776	774	807	771
Pender	172	140	125	107
District Totals	948	914	932	878
District 6				
Bertie	158	133	92	55
Halifax	436	397	204	161
Hertford	194	173	116	127
Northampton	154	147	111	91
District Totals	942	850	523	434
District 7				
Edgecombe	451	447	252	224
Nash	430	421	292	270
Wilson	428	488	338	289
District Totals	1,309	1,356	882	783
District 8				
Greene	133	152	46	79
Lenoir	468	482	384	404
Wayne	685	665	598	529
District Totals	1,286	1,299	1,028	1,012

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 9				
Franklin	216	191	281	187
Granville	281	237	340	342
Person	227	203	138	140
Vance	300	307	191	183
Warren	171	180	106	115
District Totals	1,195	1,118	1,056	967
District 10				
Wake	1,705	1,429	1,643	1,695
District 11				
Harnett	402	409	201	237
Johnston	550	543	569	582
Lee	225	193	176	137
District Totals	1,177	1,145	1,006	956
District 12				
Cumberland	906	797	1,667	1,679
Hoke	88	63	98	93
District Totals	994	860	1,765	1,772
District 13				
Bladen	176	152	215	230
Brunswick	403	339	239	238
Columbus	361	297	247	241
District Totals	940	788	701	709
District 14				
Durham	1,097	1,044	1,071	993
District 15A				
Alamance	737	697	534	471
District 15B				
Chatham	260	220	122	92
Orange	445	394	579	1,092
District Totals	705	614	701	1,184
District 16				
Robeson	611	533	548	564
Scotland	246	206	135	203
District Totals	857	739	683	767
District 17A				
Caswell	131	164	114	90
Rockingham	595	646	295	276
District Totals	726	810	409	366
District 17B				
Stokes	234	218	133	159
Surry	458	491	315	325
District Totals	692	709	448	484

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 18				
Guilford	2,129	2,191	1,907	1,886
District 19A				
Cabarrus	661	618	344	264
Rowan	884	856	942	911
District Totals	1,545	1,474	1,286	1,175
District 19B				
Montgomery	170	174	185	184
Randolph	609	655	381	341
District Totals	779	829	566	525
District 20				
Anson	151	106	80	39
Moore	474	444	287	277
Richmond	310	217	235	152
Stanly	402	657	200	145
Union	369	331	234	238
District Totals	1,706	1,755	1,036	851
District 21				
Forsyth	1,542	1,546	1,527	1,435
District 22				
Alexander	155	155	140	103
Davidson	778	739	387	375
Davie	192	172	77	105
Iredell	695	634	395	336
District Totals	1,820	1,700	999	919
District 23				
Alleghany	98	89	50	55
Ashe	153	194	110	155
Wilkes	276	264	447	378
Yadkin	201	188	112	98
District Totals	728	735	719	686
District 24				
Avery	108	105	106	76
Madison	88	92	36	27
Mitchell	134	177	64	48
Watauga	160	158	143	124
Yancey	97	129	57	65
District Totals	587	661	406	340
District 25				
Burke	446	381	408	345
Caldwell	478	417	366	278
Catawba	695	589	367	299
District Totals	1,619	1,387	1,141	922
District 26				
Mecklenburg	2,523	2,364	2,662	1,863

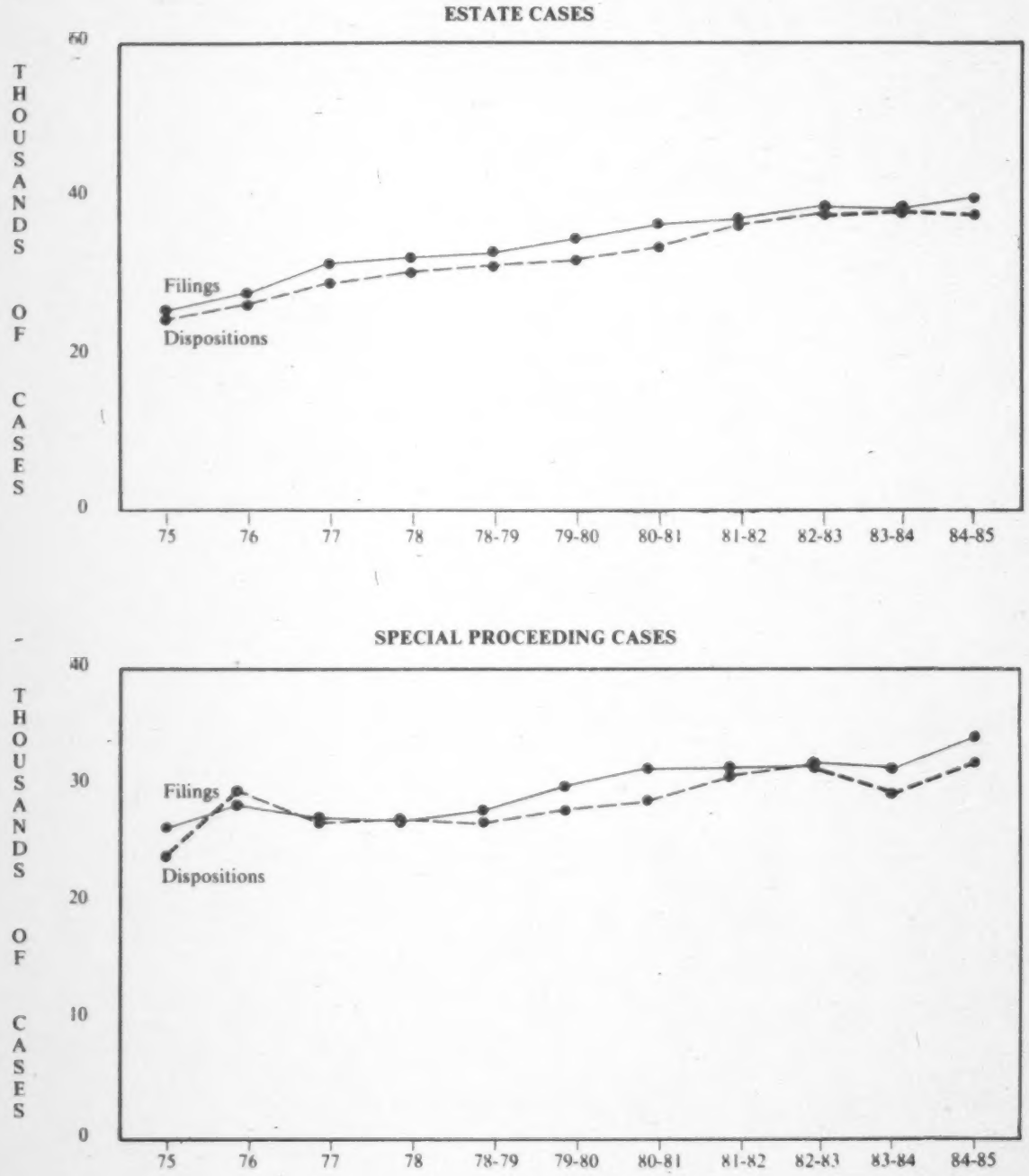
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 27A				
Gaston	1,074	1,075	661	698
District 27B				
Cleveland	593	498	471	404
Lincoln	266	253	146	169
District Totals	859	751	617	573
District 28				
Buncombe	1,382	1,304	997	933
District 29				
Henderson	560	520	330	311
McDowell	206	252	234	171
Polk	227	260	86	66
Rutherford	500	419	240	307
Transylvania	205	229	127	110
District Totals	1,698	1,680	1,017	965
District 30				
Cherokee	194	114	111	96
Clay	51	39	39	24
Graham	51	23	47	31
Haywood	406	431	233	207
Jackson	147	120	149	232
Macon	162	170	327	296
Swain	58	71	55	57
District Totals	1,069	968	961	943
State Totals	40,733	38,615	33,283	31,263

CASELOAD TRENDS IN ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS

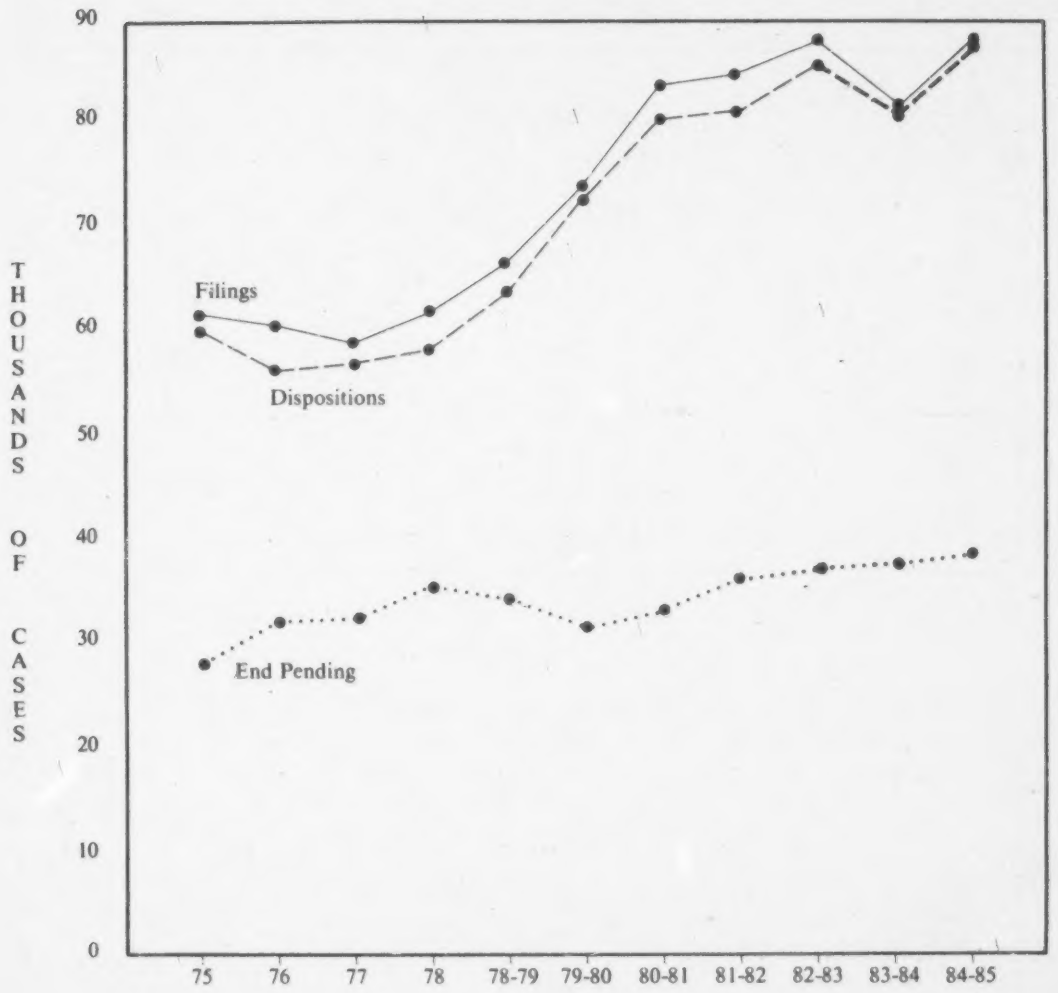
1975 - 1984-85



After slight declines last fiscal year, but following the general trend of the past decade, filings of estate cases increased by 3.2% during fiscal 1984-85, and filings of special proceedings increased by 8.6%.

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

1975 - 1984-85



The upturn in the trend of criminal case filings is largely due to a 19.6% increase in misdemeanor appeals filings. Felony case filings declined slightly, by 3.0%

FILINGS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS-BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

A total of 71,915 criminal cases were reported filed in the Superior Courts, of which 40,915 were felonies, and 31,000 misdemeanors. These are broken down into the following specific types of cases:

	Number Filed	% of Total Filings
FELONIES		
Murder	479	1.2
Manslaughter	108	.3
First Degree Rape	882	2.2
Other Sex Offense	226	.6
Robbery	1,501	3.7
Assault	1,830	4.5
Burglary	7,161	17.5
Larceny	6,948	17.0
Arson & Burnings	322	.8
Forgery & Utterings	5,377	13.1
Fraudulent Activity	3,237	7.9
Controlled Substances	6,719	16.4
* Other	6,125	15.0
TOTAL	40,915	100.0
MISDEMEANORS		
DWI Appeal	6,331	20.4
Other Motor Vehicle Appeal	5,729	18.5
Non-Motor Vehicle Appeal	16,802	54.2
Misdemeanor Originating in Superior Court	2,138	6.9
TOTAL	31,000	100.0

* "Other" felony cases include a wide variety of offenses defined in the North Carolina General Statutes that do not fit squarely into any of the listed offenses above, including kidnapping, trespassing, crimes against public morality, perjury, and obstructing justice. When more than one offense is charged, the first offense listed in the criminal pleading (originating document) is used to assign the case type given above.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 1												
Camden	6	19	25	20	80.0	5	31	71	102	72	70.6	30
Chowan	40	35	75	40	53.3	35	52	196	248	211	85.1	37
Currituck	9	88	97	62	63.9	35	30	141	171	133	77.8	38
Dare	23	176	199	142	71.4	57	72	296	368	266	72.3	102
Gates	14	34	48	27	56.3	21	23	59	82	71	86.6	11
Pasquotank	74	178	252	182	72.2	70	120	597	717	590	82.3	127
Perquimans	27	33	60	40	66.7	20	60	103	163	123	75.5	40
District Totals	193	563	756	513	67.9	243	388	1,463	1,851	1,466	79.2	385
District 2												
Beaufort	203	220	423	305	72.1	118	87	206	293	231	78.8	62
Hyde	24	29	53	25	47.2	28	8	24	32	22	68.8	10
Martin	44	126	170	156	91.8	14	41	68	109	104	95.4	5
Tyrrell	8	24	32	28	87.5	4	5	41	46	33	71.7	13
Washington	35	100	135	123	91.1	12	22	85	107	86	80.4	21
District Totals	314	499	813	637	78.4	176	163	424	587	476	81.1	111
District 3												
Carteret	111	221	332	193	58.1	139	16	125	141	103	73.0	38
Craven	144	574	718	523	72.8	195	50	349	399	338	84.7	61
Pamlico	9	27	36	11	30.6	25	11	24	35	34	97.1	1
Pitt	290	666	956	794	83.1	162	139	686	825	705	85.5	120
District Totals	554	1,488	2,042	1,521	74.5	521	216	1,184	1,400	1,180	84.3	220
District 4												
Duplin	92	592	684	620	90.6	64	11	53	64	59	92.2	5
Jones	1	21	22	21	95.5	1	2	11	13	11	84.6	2
Onslow	129	967	1,096	862	78.6	234	34	236	270	231	85.6	39
Sampson	18	394	412	376	91.3	36	1	56	57	56	98.2	1
District Totals	240	1,974	2,214	1,879	84.9	335	48	356	404	357	88.4	47
District 5												
New Hanover	392	1,691	2,083	1,537	73.8	546	125	762	887	716	80.7	171
Pender	23	73	96	83	86.5	13	14	87	101	79	78.2	22
District Totals	415	1,764	2,179	1,620	74.3	559	139	849	988	795	80.5	193
District 6												
Bertie	17	98	115	95	82.6	20	22	100	122	103	84.4	19
Halifax	102	262	364	319	87.6	45	68	222	290	229	79.0	61
Hertford	37	178	215	157	73.0	58	23	105	128	105	82.0	23
Northampton	45	75	120	111	92.5	9	25	92	117	96	82.1	21
District Totals	201	613	814	682	83.8	132	138	519	657	533	81.1	124
District 7												
Edgecombe	52	241	293	231	78.8	62	39	263	302	263	87.1	39
Nash	38	358	396	351	88.6	45	27	257	284	227	79.9	57
Wilson	71	323	394	302	76.6	92	39	148	187	132	70.6	55
District Totals	161	922	1,083	884	81.6	199	105	668	773	622	80.5	151
District 8												
Greene	63	160	223	208	93.3	15	28	89	117	103	88.0	14
Lenoir	67	306	373	279	74.8	94	96	466	562	456	81.1	106
Wayne	98	581	679	436	64.2	243	97	526	623	461	74.0	162
District Totals	228	1,047	1,275	923	72.4	352	221	1,081	1,302	1,020	78.3	282

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	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 9												
Franklin	101	197	298	247	82.9	51	107	165	272	234	86.0	38
Granville	139	242	381	219	57.5	162	74	317	391	284	72.6	107
Person	67	146	213	119	55.9	94	131	254	385	204	53.0	181
Vance	114	296	410	276	67.3	134	84	289	373	251	67.3	122
Warren	37	69	106	76	71.7	30	56	97	153	109	71.2	44
District Totals	458	950	1,408	937	66.5	471	452	1,122	1,574	1,082	68.7	492
District 10												
Wake	1,417	2,873	4,290	2,554	59.5	1,736	831	2,177	3,008	2,580	85.8	428
District 11												
Harnett	33	277	310	287	92.6	23	9	98	107	84	78.5	23
Johnston	92	274	366	347	94.8	19	34	273	307	271	88.3	36
Lee	101	277	378	355	93.9	23	63	179	242	212	87.6	30
District Totals	226	828	1,054	989	93.8	65	106	550	656	567	86.4	89
District 12												
Cumberland	488	1,271	1,759	1,392	79.1	367	132	516	648	532	82.1	116
Hoke	7	97	104	97	93.3	7	16	72	88	72	81.8	16
District Totals	495	1,368	1,863	1,489	79.9	374	148	588	736	604	82.1	132
District 13												
Bladen	98	95	193	140	72.5	53	40	89	129	97	75.2	32
Brunswick	110	257	367	216	58.9	151	49	83	132	85	64.4	47
Columbus	41	207	248	188	75.8	60	48	294	342	286	83.6	56
District Totals	249	559	808	544	67.3	264	137	466	603	468	77.6	135
District 14												
Durham	593	1,290	1,883	1,237	65.7	646	201	500	701	465	66.3	236
District 15A												
Alamance	446	807	1,253	936	74.7	317	86	768	854	578	67.7	276
District 15B												
Chatham	53	154	207	161	77.8	46	9	55	64	55	85.9	9
Orange	100	425	525	388	73.9	137	20	82	102	81	79.4	21
District Totals	153	579	732	549	75.0	183	29	137	166	136	81.9	30
District 16												
Robeson	176	1,120	1,296	1,037	80.0	259	144	676	820	610	74.4	210
Scotland	126	320	446	243	54.5	203	135	269	404	175	43.3	229
District Totals	302	1,440	1,742	1,280	73.5	462	279	945	1,224	785	64.1	439
District 17A												
Caswell	2	226	228	222	97.4	6	4	140	144	127	88.2	17
Rockingham	134	529	663	584	88.1	79	95	478	573	472	82.4	101
District Totals	136	755	891	806	90.5	85	99	618	717	599	83.5	118
District 17B												
Stokes	19	213	232	191	82.3	41	50	226	276	240	87.0	36
Surry	83	444	527	450	85.4	77	62	533	595	532	89.4	63
District Totals	102	657	759	641	84.5	118	112	759	871	772	88.6	99

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	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 18												
Guilford	1,331	3,219	4,550	3,165	69.6	1,385	352	783	1,135	814	71.7	321
District 19A												
Cabarrus	178	674	852	648	76.1	204	237	788	1,025	725	70.7	300
Rowan	129	524	653	551	84.4	102	113	577	690	528	76.5	162
District Totals	307	1,198	1,505	1,199	79.7	306	350	1,365	1,715	1,253	73.1	462
District 19B												
Montgomery	214	185	399	294	73.7	105	93	367	460	327	71.1	133
Randolph	323	501	824	598	72.6	226	378	942	1,320	1,038	78.6	282
District Totals	537	686	1,223	892	72.9	331	471	1,309	1,780	1,365	76.7	415
District 20												
Anson	63	167	230	200	87.0	30	145	217	362	308	85.1	54
Moore	58	479	537	421	78.4	116	61	358	419	363	86.6	56
Richmond	192	627	819	574	70.1	245	57	543	600	445	74.2	155
Stanly	63	297	360	275	76.4	85	56	427	483	421	87.2	62
Union	171	457	628	585	93.2	43	101	592	693	594	85.7	99
District Totals	547	2,027	2,574	2,055	79.8	519	420	2,137	2,557	2,131	83.3	426
District 21												
Forsyth	436	1,929	2,365	2,023	85.5	342	392	2,335	2,727	2,439	89.4	288
District 22												
Alexander	31	80	111	61	55.0	50	13	143	156	134	85.9	22
Davidson	96	257	353	224	63.5	129	85	554	639	514	80.4	125
Davie	19	101	120	89	74.2	31	34	97	131	93	71.0	38
Iredell	151	374	525	343	65.3	182	96	695	791	541	68.4	250
District Totals	297	812	1,109	717	64.7	392	228	1,489	1,717	1,282	74.7	435
District 23												
Alleghany	67	27	94	70	74.5	24	13	15	28	21	75.0	7
Ashe	39	62	101	84	83.2	17	59	52	111	79	71.2	32
Wilkes	73	238	311	219	70.4	92	161	421	582	481	82.6	101
Yadkin	86	76	162	110	67.9	52	54	99	153	107	70.0	46
District Totals	265	403	668	483	72.3	185	287	587	874	688	78.7	186
District 24												
Avery	44	67	111	84	75.7	27	6	32	38	26	68.4	12
Madison	55	44	99	69	69.7	30	10	13	23	9	39.1	14
Mitchell	27	25	52	34	65.4	18	4	35	39	13	33.3	26
Watauga	203	221	424	333	78.5	91	11	91	102	66	64.7	36
Yancey	41	43	84	62	73.8	22	29	20	49	44	89.8	5
District Totals	370	400	770	582	75.6	188	60	191	251	158	62.9	93
District 25												
Burke	109	315	424	248	58.5	176	116	352	468	279	59.6	189
Caldwell	173	554	727	485	66.7	242	63	441	504	329	65.3	175
Catawba	214	724	938	577	61.5	361	128	699	827	582	70.4	245
District Totals	496	1,593	2,089	1,310	62.7	779	307	1,492	1,799	1,190	66.1	609
District 26												
Mecklenburg	1,285	2,926	4,211	3,082	73.2	1,129	391	1,257	1,648	1,156	70.1	492

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	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 27A												
Gaston	219	1,239	1,458	1,248	85.6	210	181	801	982	769	78.3	213
District 27B												
Cleveland	115	633	748	469	62.7	279	106	333	439	337	76.8	102
Lincoln	39	201	240	170	70.8	70	55	205	260	201	77.3	59
District Totals	154	834	988	639	64.7	349	161	538	699	538	77.0	161
District 28												
Buncombe	315	795	1,110	840	75.7	270	75	365	440	376	85.5	64
District 29												
Henderson	191	321	512	380	74.2	132	85	150	235	171	72.8	64
McDowell	48	225	273	197	72.2	76	34	154	188	163	86.7	25
Polk	19	68	87	27	31.0	60	11	27	38	14	36.8	24
Rutherford	122	324	446	283	63.5	163	77	283	360	257	71.4	103
Transylvania	57	97	154	78	50.6	76	24	55	79	62	78.5	17
District Totals	437	1,035	1,472	965	65.6	507	231	669	900	667	74.1	233
District 30												
Cherokee	57	103	160	97	60.6	63	26	88	114	67	58.8	47
Clay	1	66	67	12	17.9	55	12	14	26	21	80.8	5
Graham	37	71	108	34	31.5	74	19	73	92	39	42.4	53
Haywood	200	333	533	362	67.9	171	111	199	310	214	69.0	96
Jackson	64	125	189	159	84.1	30	12	53	65	56	86.2	9
Macon	40	99	139	93	66.9	46	24	46	70	46	65.7	24
Swain	10	46	56	25	44.6	31	7	35	42	12	28.6	30
District Totals	409	843	1,252	782	62.5	470	211	508	719	455	63.3	264
State Totals	14,288	40,915	55,203	40,603	73.6	14,600	8,015	31,000	39,015	30,366	77.8	8,649

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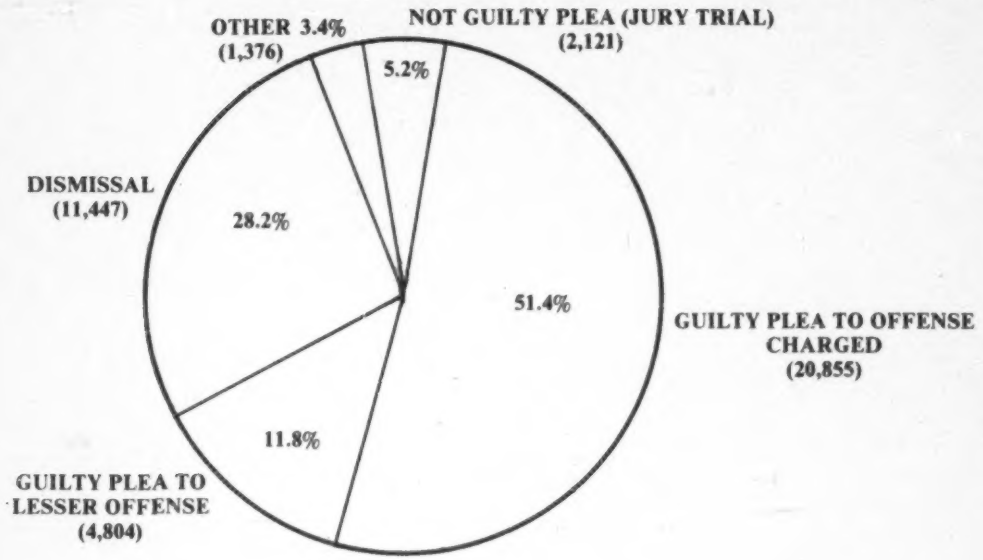

Guilty pleas accounted for 63.2% of all felony dispositions, with the overwhelming majority of these being guilty pleas to the offense as charged. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals. The disposition category "Other" includes miscellanous dispositions such as change of venue and dismissal on motion of the court.

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 1										
Camden	4	9	1	3	0	0	0	3	20	15
Chowan	11	11	6	9	2	0	0	1	40	25
Currituck	24	7	10	0	15	0	0	6	62	0
Dare	102	3	6	1	1	0	0	29	142	75
Gates	2	18	1	6	0	0	0	0	27	21
Pasquotank	78	27	26	45	2	2	0	2	182	111
Perquimans	4	14	5	15	0	0	0	2	40	20
District Totals	225	89	55	79	20	2	0	43	513	267
% of Total	43.9%	17.3%	10.7%	15.4%	3.9%	0.4%	0.0%	8.4%	100.0%	52.0%
District 2										
Beaufort	124	51	43	57	21	1	0	8	305	131
Hyde	5	8	0	4	4	0	0	4	25	14
Martin	48	85	7	4	2	0	0	10	156	85
Tyrrell	16	1	0	6	0	0	5	0	28	22
Washington	45	30	21	18	0	0	1	8	123	53
District Totals	238	175	71	89	27	1	6	30	637	305
% of Total	37.4%	27.5%	11.1%	14.0%	4.2%	0.2%	0.9%	4.7%	100.0%	47.9%
District 3										
Carteret	34	76	7	64	2	0	0	10	193	96
Craven	217	103	38	148	6	0	0	11	523	386
Pamlico	3	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	11	9
Pitt	146	399	36	157	24	0	0	32	794	606
District Totals	400	580	81	375	32	0	0	53	1,521	1,097
% of Total	26.3%	38.1%	5.3%	24.7%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.5%	100.0%	72.1%
District 4										
Duplin	151	352	12	97	3	0	0	5	620	525
Jones	8	4	0	9	0	0	0	0	21	21
Onslow	602	0	45	187	24	0	0	4	862	561
Sampson	194	28	19	67	47	0	0	21	376	179
District Totals	955	384	76	360	74	0	0	30	1,879	1,286
% of Total	50.8%	20.4%	4.0%	19.2%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	100.0%	68.4%
District 5										
New Hanover	917	93	68	320	83	0	0	56	1,537	0
Pender	21	7	30	13	2	0	0	10	83	13
District Totals	938	100	98	333	85	0	0	66	1,620	13
% of Total	57.9%	6.2%	6.0%	20.6%	5.2%	0.0%	0.0%	4.1%	100.0%	0.8%
District 6										
Bertie	42	10	8	33	0	0	0	2	95	69
Halifax	77	78	30	128	3	0	0	3	319	218
Hertford	60	11	27	51	0	0	0	8	157	70
Northampton	49	15	11	34	1	0	0	1	111	92
District Totals	228	114	76	246	4	0	0	14	682	449
% of Total	33.4%	16.7%	11.1%	36.1%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	100.0%	65.8%
District 7										
Edgecombe	73	51	18	70	3	0	0	16	231	162
Nash	169	65	18	62	29	0	0	8	351	224
Wilson	161	43	24	64	1	0	0	9	302	185
District Totals	403	159	60	196	33	0	0	33	884	571
% of Total	45.6%	18.0%	6.8%	22.2%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	100.0%	64.6%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 8										
Greene	52	128	5	12	6	1	0	4	208	69
Lenoir	129	38	36	64	3	0	0	9	279	202
Wayne	90	160	35	117	13	0	1	20	436	290
District Totals	271	326	76	193	22	1	1	33	923	561
% of Total	29.4%	35.3%	8.2%	20.9%	2.4%	0.1%	0.1%	3.6%	100.0%	60.8%
District 9										
Franklin	102	30	3	81	5	0	0	26	247	156
Granville	80	30	5	75	8	1	0	20	219	105
Person	44	21	16	31	0	0	0	7	119	71
Vance	91	66	7	102	2	0	0	8	276	185
Warren	32	26	5	3	4	0	0	6	76	63
District Totals	349	173	36	292	19	1	0	67	937	580
% of Total	37.2%	18.5%	3.8%	31.2%	2.0%	0.1%	0.0%	7.2%	100.0%	61.9%
District 10										
Wake	1,477	4	72	745	208	0	0	48	2,554	1,383
% of Total	57.8%	0.2%	2.8%	29.2%	8.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	100.0%	54.2%
District 11										
Harnett	185	16	19	62	2	0	0	3	287	194
Johnston	208	36	14	67	6	0	0	16	347	246
Lee	149	85	19	94	2	0	0	6	355	276
District Totals	542	137	52	223	10	0	0	25	989	716
% of Total	54.8%	13.9%	5.3%	22.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	100.0%	72.4%
District 12										
Cumberland	950	118	80	191	22	0	0	31	1,392	915
Hoke	69	1	7	9	1	0	0	10	97	54
District Totals	1,019	119	87	200	23	0	0	41	1,489	969
% of Total	68.4%	8.0%	5.8%	13.4%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	100.0%	65.1%
District 13										
Bladen	56	18	9	19	24	0	0	14	140	91
Brunswick	115	33	17	30	3	0	0	18	216	149
Columbus	102	25	19	37	0	0	1	4	188	114
District Totals	273	76	45	86	27	0	1	36	544	354
% of Total	50.2%	14.0%	8.3%	15.8%	5.0%	0.0%	0.2%	6.6%	100.0%	65.1%
District 14										
Durham	705	9	66	386	54	3	0	14	1,237	662
% of Total	57.0%	0.7%	5.3%	31.2%	4.4%	0.2%	0.0%	1.1%	100.0%	53.5%
District 15A										
Alamance	715	56	43	104	8	0	0	10	936	659
% of Total	76.4%	6.0%	4.6%	11.1%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	100.0%	70.4%
District 15B										
Chatham	57	41	9	51	1	0	0	2	161	107
Orange	134	24	35	173	10	0	0	12	388	251
District Totals	191	65	44	224	11	0	0	14	549	358
% of Total	34.8%	11.8%	8.0%	40.8%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	100.0%	65.2%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 16										
Robeson	888	0	70	43	9	0	0	27	1,037	317
Scotland	173	19	20	11	7	3	0	10	243	61
District Totals	1,061	19	90	54	16	3	0	37	1,280	378
% of Total	82.9%	1.5%	7.0%	4.2%	1.3%	0.2%	0.0%	2.9%	100.0%	29.5%
District 17A										
Caswell	98	34	12	24	0	28	0	26	222	77
Rockingham	330	106	24	87	17	2	0	18	584	457
District Totals	428	140	36	111	17	30	0	44	806	534
% of Total	53.1%	17.4%	4.5%	13.8%	2.1%	3.7%	0.0%	5.5%	100.0%	66.3%
District 17B										
Stokes	166	1	6	6	0	2	0	10	191	58
Surry	362	31	5	39	1	0	0	12	450	207
District Totals	528	32	11	45	1	2	0	22	641	265
% of Total	82.4%	5.0%	1.7%	7.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	3.4%	100.0%	41.3%
District 18										
Guilford	2,143	2	62	699	160	0	0	99	3,165	1,784
% of Total	67.7%	0.1%	2.0%	22.1%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%	100.0%	56.4%
District 19A										
Cabarrus	189	206	28	207	7	0	1	10	648	445
Rowan	234	99	26	165	9	0	0	18	551	399
District Totals	423	305	54	372	16	0	1	28	1,199	844
% of Total	35.3%	25.4%	4.5%	31.0%	1.3%	0.0%	0.1%	2.3%	100.0%	70.4%
District 19B										
Montgomery	46	37	5	183	0	0	0	23	294	86
Randolph	322	59	11	143	44	0	0	19	598	348
District Totals	368	96	16	326	44	0	0	42	892	434
% of Total	41.3%	10.8%	1.8%	36.5%	4.9%	0.0%	0.0%	4.7%	100.0%	48.7%
District 20										
Anson	37	83	14	58	5	0	0	3	200	131
Moore	139	46	12	198	3	0	0	23	421	351
Richmond	234	56	11	230	3	0	0	40	574	413
Stanly	71	83	3	115	2	0	1	0	275	248
Union	105	204	18	245	2	0	0	11	585	488
District Totals	586	472	58	846	15	0	1	77	2,055	1,631
% of Total	28.5%	23.0%	2.8%	41.2%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	100.0%	79.4%
District 21										
Forsyth	1,610	1	52	272	23	0	0	65	2,023	619
% of Total	79.6%	.0%	2.6%	13.4%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.2%	100.0%	30.6%
District 22										
Alexander	13	30	3	8	0	0	0	7	61	32
Davidson	96	56	19	28	3	6	0	16	224	99
Davie	39	14	16	15	2	0	0	3	89	28
Iredell	90	138	37	56	3	0	0	19	343	179
District Totals	238	238	75	107	8	6	0	45	717	338
% of Total	33.2%	33.2%	10.5%	14.9%	1.1%	0.8%	0.0%	6.3%	100.0%	47.1%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial			Total Negotiated
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Pleas
District 23										
Alleghany	4	6	26	15	1	0	0	18	70	23
Ashe	38	19	11	5	0	0	0	11	84	51
Wilkes	88	44	33	42	3	0	0	9	219	107
Yadkin	73	9	5	21	0	0	0	2	110	45
District Totals	203	78	75	83	4	0	0	40	483	226
% of Total	42.0%	16.1%	15.5%	17.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%	100.0%	46.8%
District 24										
Avery	16	19	7	38	0	2	0	2	84	49
Madison	1	8	11	33	9	0	0	7	69	13
Mitchell	13	3	6	6	1	0	0	5	34	17
Watauga	52	70	5	200	3	0	0	3	333	192
Yancey	0	26	14	20	0	0	0	2	62	36
District Totals	82	126	43	297	13	2	0	19	582	307
% of Total	14.1%	21.6%	7.4%	51.0%	2.2%	0.3%	0.0%	3.3%	100.0%	52.7%
District 25										
Burke	54	56	13	111	3	0	0	11	248	163
Caldwell	141	71	42	182	20	0	2	27	485	301
Catawba	266	54	41	170	10	0	9	27	577	324
District Totals	461	181	96	463	33	0	11	65	1,310	788
% of Total	35.2%	13.8%	7.3%	35.3%	2.5%	0.0%	0.8%	5.0%	100.0%	60.2%
District 26										
Mecklenburg	1,538	3	151	1,202	118	1	7	62	3,082	14
% of Total	49.9%	0.1%	4.9%	39.0%	3.8%	0.0%	0.2%	2.0%	100.0%	0.5%
District 27A										
Gaston	691	0	57	398	34	0	11	57	1,248	659
% of Total	55.4%	0.0%	4.6%	31.9%	2.7%	0.0%	0.9%	4.6%	100.0%	52.8%
District 27B										
Cleveland	176	87	23	168	2	1	2	10	469	286
Lincoln	56	23	37	43	0	0	1	10	170	81
District Totals	232	110	60	211	2	1	3	20	639	367
% of Total	36.3%	17.2%	9.4%	33.0%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	3.1%	100.0%	57.4%
District 28										
Buncombe	499	140	42	118	14	10	0	17	840	611
% of Total	59.4%	16.7%	5.0%	14.0%	1.7%	1.2%	0.0%	2.0%	100.0%	72.7%
District 29										
Henderson	236	59	9	46	21	0	0	9	380	240
McDowell	96	50	2	41	0	0	0	8	197	148
Polk	16	4	1	4	0	0	0	2	27	23
Rutherford	162	31	22	56	3	3	0	6	283	182
Transylvania	34	14	4	26	0	0	0	0	78	58
District Totals	544	158	38	173	24	3	0	25	965	651
% of Total	56.4%	16.4%	3.9%	17.9%	2.5%	0.3%	0.0%	2.6%	100.0%	67.5%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF FELONIES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 30										
Cherokee	30	22	3	26	0	0	0	16	97	54
Clay	0	6	1	4	0	0	0	1	12	6
Graham	15	1	4	0	8	4	0	2	34	12
Haywood	153	69	43	76	5	6	0	10	362	201
Jackson	64	19	5	46	0	12	0	13	159	79
Macon	23	17	4	37	0	0	0	12	93	58
Swain	6	3	7	8	0	0	0	1	25	7
District Totals	291	137	67	197	13	22	0	55	782	417
% of Total	37.2%	17.5%	8.6%	25.2%	1.7%	2.8%	0.0%	7.0%	100.0%	53.3%
State Totals	20,855	4,804	2,121	10,105	1,212	88	42	1,376	40,603	21,097
% of Total	51.4%	11.8%	5.2%	24.9%	3.0%	0.2%	0.1%	3.4%	100.0%	52.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF MISDEMEANORS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS
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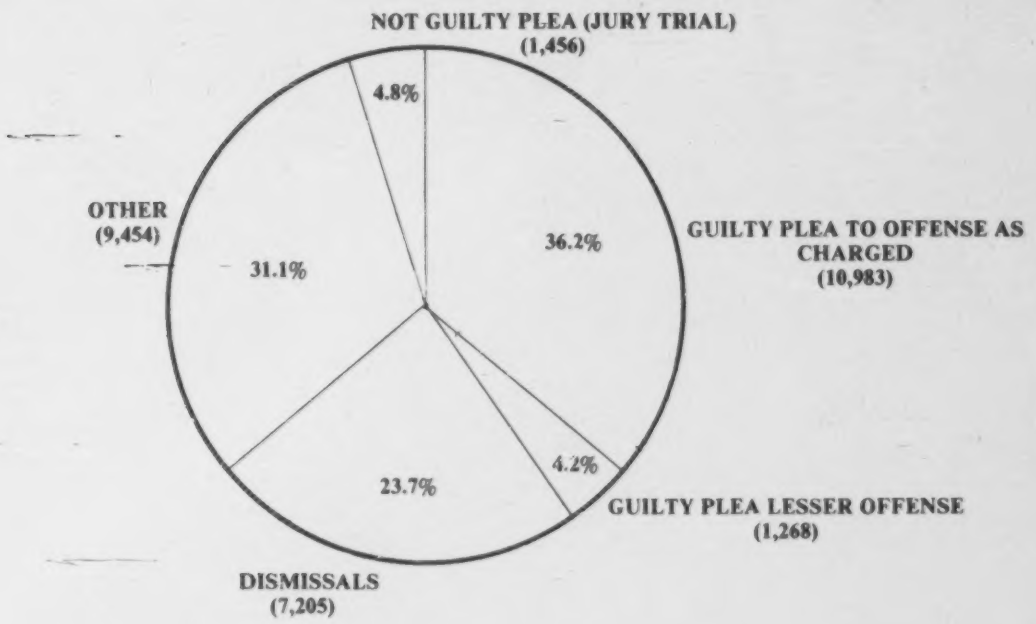

Guilty pleas accounted for 40.4% of all misdemeanor dispositions, with the overwhelming majority of these being to the offense as charged. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals. The disposition category "Other" includes miscellaneous dispositions such as change of venue, withdrawn appeals, and dismissal on motion of the court.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF MISDEMEANORS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 1										
Camden	23	5	5	14	3	0	0	22	72	17
Chowan	78	6	10	13	0	0	0	104	211	26
Currituck	67	16	18	0	29	0	0	3	133	0
Dare	179	5	14	1	8	0	0	59	266	42
Gates	28	11	5	6	5	0	0	16	71	8
Pasquotank	150	6	15	56	32	0	0	331	590	100
Perquimans	21	14	15	27	1	0	0	45	123	17
District Totals	546	63	82	117	78	0	0	580	1,466	210
% of Total	37.2%	4.3%	5.6%	8.0%	5.3%	0.0%	0.0%	39.6%	100.0%	14.3%
District 2										
Beaufort	130	19	35	18	7	0	0	22	231	33
Hyde	2	6	4	3	0	0	0	7	22	6
Martin	17	5	16	17	3	0	0	46	104	3
Tyrrell	13	1	7	0	0	0	1	11	33	5
Washington	11	4	17	9	3	0	0	42	86	8
District Totals	173	35	79	47	13	0	1	128	476	55
% of Total	36.3%	7.4%	16.6%	9.9%	2.7%	0.0%	0.2%	26.9%	100.0%	11.6%
District 3										
Carteret	31	22	11	14	3	0	0	22	103	22
Craven	142	18	18	104	13	0	0	43	338	109
Pamlico	11	0	3	7	8	0	0	5	34	19
Pitt	302	40	44	87	51	0	0	181	705	197
District Totals	486	80	76	212	75	0	0	251	1,180	347
% of Total	41.2%	6.8%	6.4%	18.0%	6.4%	0.0%	0.0%	21.3%	100.0%	29.4%
District 4										
Duplin	20	14	4	7	1	0	0	13	59	28
Jones	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	5	11	6
Onslow	92	0	13	100	7	0	0	19	231	60
Sampson	17	5	1	12	1	0	0	20	56	10
District Totals	130	20	19	122	9	0	0	57	357	104
% of Total	36.4%	5.6%	5.3%	34.2%	2.5%	0.0%	0.0%	16.0%	100.0%	29.1%
District 5										
New Hanover	405	19	32	94	43	0	1	122	716	0
Pender	29	8	18	14	0	0	0	10	79	17
District Totals	434	27	50	108	43	0	1	132	795	17
% of Total	54.6%	3.4%	6.3%	13.6%	5.4%	0.0%	0.1%	16.6%	100.0%	2.1%
District 6										
Bertie	26	17	4	20	0	0	0	36	103	31
Halifax	72	27	11	44	5	0	0	70	229	57
Hertford	31	3	3	25	1	0	0	42	105	17
Northampton	32	7	3	27	2	0	0	25	96	46
District Totals	161	54	21	116	8	0	0	173	533	151
% of Total	30.2%	10.1%	3.9%	21.8%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	32.5%	100.0%	28.3%
District 7										
Edgecombe	121	11	11	56	6	0	0	58	263	104
Nash	95	13	8	42	14	0	0	55	227	19
Wilson	23	7	4	53	2	1	0	42	132	22
District Totals	239	31	23	151	22	1	0	155	622	145
% of Total	38.4%	5.0%	3.7%	24.3%	3.5%	0.2%	0.0%	24.9%	100.0%	23.3%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF MISDEMEANORS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial			Total Negotiated
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Pleas
District 8										
Greene	11	34	4	15	7	0	0	32	103	21
Lenoir	115	23	27	93	15	0	0	183	126	328
Wayne	179	44	48	111	14	1	1	63	461	118
District Totals	305	101	79	219	36	1	1	278	1,020	467
% of Total	29.9%	9.9%	7.7%	21.5%	3.5%	0.1%	0.1%	27.3%	100.0%	45.8%
District 9										
Franklin	99	8	6	47	8	0	0	66	234	94
Granville	98	18	4	54	7	0	0	103	284	100
Person	73	9	6	49	6	0	0	61	204	81
Vance	96	9	6	62	3	0	0	75	251	138
Warren	37	18	3	16	0	0	0	35	109	56
District Totals	403	62	25	228	24	0	0	340	1,082	469
% of Total	37.2%	5.7%	2.3%	21.1%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	31.4%	100.0%	43.3%
District 10										
Wake	696	0	51	434	615	0	1	783	2,580	582
% of Total	27.0%	0.0%	2.0%	16.8%	23.8%	0.0%	.0%	30.3%	100.0%	22.6%
District 11										
Harnett	32	1	8	17	2	1	0	23	84	35
Johnston	75	18	14	38	6	0	0	120	271	78
Lee	49	13	5	53	15	0	0	77	212	92
District Totals	156	32	27	108	23	1	0	220	567	205
% of Total	27.5%	5.6%	4.8%	19.0%	4.1%	0.2%	0.0%	38.8%	100.0%	36.2%
District 12										
Cumberland	111	5	57	121	17	0	0	221	532	83
Hoke	33	1	5	9	0	0	0	24	72	14
District Totals	144	6	62	130	17	0	0	245	604	97
% of Total	23.8%	1.0%	10.3%	21.5%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	40.6%	100.0%	16.1%
District 13										
Bladen	26	10	11	23	12	0	0	15	97	35
Brunswick	21	11	10	22	1	0	0	20	85	30
Columbus	60	20	28	34	5	0	0	139	286	55
District Totals	107	41	49	79	18	0	0	174	468	120
% of Total	22.9%	8.8%	10.5%	16.9%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	37.2%	100.0%	25.6%
District 14										
Durham	227	1	14	134	21	0	0	68	465	164
% of Total	48.8%	0.2%	3.0%	28.8%	4.5%	0.0%	0.0%	14.6%	100.0%	35.3%
District 15A										
Alamance	238	7	53	94	6	0	0	180	578	201
% of Total	41.2%	1.2%	9.2%	16.3%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	31.1%	100.0%	34.8%
District 15B										
Chatham	7	2	6	11	1	0	0	28	55	12
Orange	15	2	7	16	0	1	0	40	81	19
District Totals	22	4	13	27	1	1	0	68	136	31
% of Total	16.2%	2.9%	9.6%	19.9%	0.7%	0.7%	0.0%	50.0%	100.0%	22.8%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial			Total Negotiated
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Pleas
District 16										
Robeson	246	0	58	48	16	0	1	241	610	106
Scotland	57	4	3	11	14	0	1	85	175	18
District Totals	303	4	61	59	30	0	2	326	785	124
% of Total	38.6%	0.5%	7.8%	7.5%	3.8%	0.0%	0.3%	41.5%	100.0%	15.8%
District 17A										
Caswell	45	21	6	7	0	0	0	48	127	25
Rockingham	182	39	20	74	12	0	0	145	472	211
District Totals	227	60	26	81	12	0	0	193	599	236
% of Total	37.9%	10.0%	4.3%	13.5%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	32.2%	100.0%	39.4%
District 17B										
Stokes	173	4	1	10	15	0	0	37	240	18
Surry	316	4	3	23	10	0	0	176	532	87
District Totals	489	8	4	33	25	0	0	213	772	105
% of Total	63.3%	1.0%	0.5%	4.3%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	27.6%	100.0%	13.6%
District 18										
Guilford	332	1	30	184	43	0	0	224	814	245
% of Total	40.8%	0.1%	3.7%	22.6%	5.3%	0.0%	0.0%	27.5%	100.0%	30.1%
District 19A										
Cabarrus	225	23	29	173	20	2	0	253	725	167
Rowan	191	42	12	54	34	0	0	195	528	78
District Totals	416	65	41	227	54	2	0	448	1,253	245
% of Total	33.2%	5.2%	3.3%	18.1%	4.3%	0.2%	0.0%	35.8%	100.0%	19.6%
District 19B										
Montgomery	122	24	9	100	0	0	0	72	327	116
Randolph	492	33	19	84	94	0	2	314	1,038	336
District Totals	614	57	28	184	94	0	2	386	1,365	452
% of Total	45.0%	4.2%	2.1%	13.5%	6.9%	0.0%	0.1%	28.3%	100.0%	33.1%
District 20										
Anson	61	65	3	130	8	0	0	41	308	90
Moore	97	12	5	97	12	0	0	140	363	159
Richmond	133	26	5	130	7	0	0	144	445	198
Stanly	203	26	0	85	7	0	0	100	421	151
Union	153	68	11	146	1	0	0	215	594	221
District Totals	647	197	24	588	35	0	0	640	2,131	819
% of Total	30.4%	9.2%	1.1%	27.6%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0%	100.0%	38.4%
District 21										
Forsyth	1,237	0	59	291	90	0	0	762	2,439	319
% of Total	50.7%	0.0%	2.4%	11.9%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	31.2%	100.0%	13.1%
District 22										
Alexander	28	7	3	20	9	0	0	67	134	12
Davidson	75	26	12	46	37	31	0	287	514	35
Davie	24	4	2	4	8	0	0	51	93	5
Iredell	130	21	9	87	14	0	0	280	541	82
District Totals	257	58	26	157	68	31	0	685	1,282	134
% of Total	20.0%	4.5%	2.0%	12.2%	5.3%	2.4%	0.0%	53.4%	100.0%	10.5%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal			Speedy Trial			Total Negotiated
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Pleas
District 23										
Alleghany	1	4	8	3	1	0	0	4	21	1
Ashe	11	14	2	12	9	0	1	30	79	24
Wilkes	64	25	30	98	27	0	0	237	481	53
Yadkin	31	4	9	19	1	0	0	43	107	16
District Totals	107	47	49	132	38	0	1	314	688	94
% of Total	15.6%	6.8%	7.1%	19.2%	5.5%	0.0%	0.1%	45.6%	100.0%	13.7%
District 24										
Avery	6	3	5	7	0	0	0	5	26	5
Madison	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	2	9	1
Mitchell	1	4	0	5	0	0	0	3	13	4
Watauga	29	2	11	9	2	0	0	13	66	18
Yancey	3	4	4	27	3	0	0	3	44	25
District Totals	42	13	23	49	5	0	0	26	158	53
% of Total	26.6%	8.2%	14.6%	31.0%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	16.5%	100.0%	33.5%
District 25										
Burke	47	20	23	50	11	0	2	126	279	57
Caldwell	120	13	22	65	17	0	3	89	329	100
Catawba	182	12	19	45	29	0	0	295	582	129
District Totals	349	45	64	160	57	0	5	510	1,190	286
% of Total	29.3%	3.8%	5.4%	13.4%	4.8%	0.0%	0.4%	42.9%	100.0%	24.0%
District 26										
Mecklenburg	421	0	74	372	81	0	3	205	1,156	2
% of Total	36.4%	0.0%	6.4%	32.2%	7.0%	0.0%	0.3%	17.7%	100.0%	0.2%
District 27A										
Gaston	284	0	73	213	36	0	12	151	769	221
% of Total	36.9%	0.0%	9.5%	27.7%	4.7%	0.0%	1.6%	19.6%	100.0%	28.7%
District 27B										
Cleveland	136	26	25	73	4	0	0	73	337	159
Lincoln	64	14	23	45	0	0	0	55	201	55
District Totals	200	40	48	118	4	0	0	128	538	214
% of Total	37.2%	7.4%	8.9%	21.9%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	23.8%	100.0%	39.8%
District 28										
Buncombe	93	9	26	50	15	1	0	182	376	85
% of Total	24.7%	2.4%	6.9%	13.3%	4.0%	0.3%	0.0%	48.4%	100.0%	22.6%
District 29										
Henderson	80	12	13	21	3	0	0	42	171	64
McDowell	83	18	11	19	7	0	0	25	163	63
Polk	3	0	2	5	0	0	0	4	14	3
Rutherford	113	9	12	32	6	5	0	80	257	98
Transylvania	32	2	5	15	1	0	0	7	62	41
District Totals	311	41	43	92	17	5	0	158	667	269
% of Total	46.6%	6.1%	6.4%	13.8%	2.5%	0.7%	0.0%	23.7%	100.0%	40.3%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 30										
Cherokee	18	13	2	15	0	1	0	18	67	30
Clay	2	12	5	0	0	0	0	2	21	13
Graham	12	2	10	0	2	0	0	13	39	5
Haywood	108	22	11	43	5	0	0	25	214	82
Jackson	30	5	3	10	0	5	0	3	56	17
Macon	13	3	2	13	6	0	0	9	46	20
Swain	4	2	1	4	0	0	0	1	12	1
District Totals	187	59	34	85	13	6	0	71	455	168
% of Total	41.1%	13.0%	7.5%	18.7%	2.9%	1.3%	0.0%	15.6%	100.0%	36.9%
State Totals	10,983	1,268	1,456	5,401	1,726	49	29	9,454	30,366	7,436
% of Total	36.2%	4.2%	4.8%	17.8%	5.7%	0.2%	0.1%	31.1%	100.0%	24.5%

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

		Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	240.4	40.0
	Mis	16	7	1	6	0	0	30	104.1	54.0
Chowan	Fel	7	0	0	1	14	13	35	615.9	671.0
	Mis	14	2	4	7	5	5	37	262.9	152.0
Currituck	Fel	30	0	0	4	1	0	35	61.5	23.0
	Mis	31	0	2	5	0	0	38	75.5	40.0
Dare	Fel	20	13	12	8	1	3	57	171.8	117.0
	Mis	67	7	7	21	0	0	102	100.0	67.0
Gates	Fel	9	0	10	0	1	1	21	153.1	125.0
	Mis	8	3	0	0	0	0	11	72.3	61.0
Pasquotank	Fel	34	4	11	2	10	9	70	344.9	94.0
	Mis	69	11	17	23	7	0	127	120.7	73.0
Perquimans	Fel	19	0	1	0	0	0	20	54.0	55.0
	Mis	21	1	13	5	0	0	40	100.6	74.0
Dist Totals	Fel	123	17	34	15	27	27	243	259.8	90.0
% of Total		50.6%	7.0%	14.0%	6.2%	11.1%	11.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	226	31	44	67	12	5	385	119.6	67.0
% of Total		58.7%	8.1%	11.4%	17.4%	3.1%	1.3%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	51	23	3	27	9	5	118	180.2	104.0
	Mis	41	7	5	3	6	0	62	99.0	48.0
Hyde	Fel	7	0	2	5	0	14	28	463.4	509.5
	Mis	7	0	1	0	0	2	10	305.4	32.0
Martin	Fel	14	0	0	0	0	0	14	31.1	6.0
	Mis	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	26.2	25.0
Tyrrell	Fel	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	169.5	169.5
	Mis	7	0	4	2	0	0	13	132.3	90.0
Washington	Fel	1	7	0	4	0	0	12	173.8	104.0
	Mis	9	9	2	1	0	0	21	93.0	102.0
Dist Totals	Fel	73	30	9	36	9	19	176	212.7	104.0
% of Total		41.5%	17.0%	5.1%	20.5%	5.1%	10.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	69	16	12	6	6	2	111	117.1	48.0
% of Total		62.2%	14.4%	10.8%	5.4%	5.4%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	58	16	17	19	29	0	139	167.4	111.0
	Mis	21	3	7	7	0	0	38	111.2	87.0
Craven	Fel	126	13	26	13	17	0	195	122.0	61.0
	Mis	44	5	8	4	0	0	61	72.7	51.0
Pamlico	Fel	19	0	5	0	0	1	25	95.7	31.0
	Mis	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	37.0	37.0
Pitt	Fel	102	12	23	15	7	3	162	127.9	77.0
	Mis	85	12	13	9	0	1	120	84.2	48.0
Dist Totals	Fel	305	41	71	47	53	4	521	134.7	69.0
% of Total		58.5%	7.9%	13.6%	9.0%	10.2%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	151	20	28	20	0	1	220	85.5	51.5
% of Total		68.6%	9.1%	12.7%	9.1%	0.0%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	46	1	17	0	0	0	64	61.0	60.0
	Mis	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	87.4	46.0
Jones	Fel	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	167.0	167.0
	Mis	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	39.0	39.0
Onslow	Fel	165	12	54	3	0	0	234	60.9	17.0
	Mis	37	2	0	0	0	0	39	18.9	12.0
Sampson	Fel	36	0	0	0	0	0	36	72.9	74.0
	Mis	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	74.0	74.0
Dist Totals	Fel	247	13	72	3	0	0	335	62.5	32.0
% of Total		73.7%	3.9%	21.5%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	44	2	0	1	0	0	47	28.2	16.0
% of Total		93.6%	4.3%	0.0%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	416	18	85	16	9	2	546	77.6	44.0
	Mis	123	20	18	8	2	0	171	82.0	76.0
Pender	Fel	3	2	4	3	1	0	13	134.9	124.0
	Mis	15	5	2	0	0	0	22	59.1	31.0
Dist Totals	Fel	419	20	89	19	10	2	559	78.9	44.0
% of Total		75.0%	3.6%	15.9%	3.4%	1.8%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	138	25	20	8	2	0	193	79.4	74.0
% of Total		71.5%	13.0%	10.4%	4.1%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	11	2	1	5	1	0	20	149.4	73.0
	Mis	11	2	2	3	1	0	19	107.9	66.0
Halifax	Fel	28	9	1	3	2	2	45	129.7	41.0
	Mis	39	2	5	8	5	2	61	134.8	45.0
Hertford	Fel	12	2	1	42	1	0	58	190.3	243.0
	Mis	12	0	3	6	2	0	23	148.4	79.0
Northampton	Fel	7	0	0	1	1	0	9	105.2	48.0
	Mis	17	0	1	1	2	0	21	111.0	80.0
Dist Totals	Fel	58	13	3	51	5	2	132	157.6	104.0
% of Total		43.9%	9.8%	2.3%	38.6%	3.8%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	79	4	11	18	10	2	124	129.2	66.0
% of Total		63.7%	3.2%	8.9%	14.5%	8.1%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	53	3	1	1	4	0	62	63.5	22.5
	Mis	32	2	3	0	2	0	39	60.8	38.0
Nash	Fel	26	3	7	9	0	0	45	104.4	88.0
	Mis	46	3	3	4	1	0	57	62.2	30.0
Wilson	Fel	56	9	1	12	8	6	92	190.2	55.0
	Mis	33	7	1	10	3	1	55	134.7	45.0
Dist Totals	Fel	135	15	9	22	12	6	199	131.3	47.0
% of Total		67.8%	7.5%	4.5%	11.1%	6.0%	3.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	111	12	7	14	6	1	151	88.3	33.0
% of Total		73.5%	7.9%	4.6%	9.3%	4.0%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	13	0	2	0	0	0	15	57.8	48.0
	Mis	11	2	0	0	1	0	14	83.5	51.0
Lenoir	Fel	65	15	5	5	4	0	94	83.7	69.0
	Mis	73	15	8	10	0	0	106	71.7	55.0
Wayne	Fel	205	3	14	18	3	0	243	68.4	55.0
	Mis	102	9	9	39	3	0	162	108.5	76.0
Dist Totals	Fel	283	18	21	23	7	0	352	72.0	55.0
% of Total		80.4%	5.1%	6.0%	6.5%	2.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	186	26	17	49	4	0	282	94.2	60.5
% of Total		66.0%	9.2%	6.0%	17.4%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	39	0	3	0	8	1	51	148.2	40.0
	Mis	23	0	4	5	2	4	38	270.5	55.0
Granville	Fel	71	33	14	8	5	31	162	375.6	104.0
	Mis	66	4	11	17	4	5	107	169.7	53.0
Person	Fel	32	13	20	17	11	1	94	175.3	129.0
	Mis	89	7	19	33	29	4	181	181.5	94.0
Vance	Fel	69	13	22	15	6	9	134	224.0	89.0
	Mis	66	2	15	30	7	2	122	152.8	66.0
Warren	Fel	10	2	1	4	8	5	30	354.8	248.5
	Mis	16	5	9	6	7	1	44	213.3	163.0
Dist Totals	Fel	221	61	60	44	38	47	471	266.6	97.0
% of Total		46.9%	13.0%	12.7%	9.3%	8.1%	10.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	260	18	58	91	49	16	492	181.5	76.5
% of Total		52.8%	3.7%	11.8%	18.5%	10.0%	3.3%	100.0%		

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District 10										
Wake	Fel	670	157	340	314	211	44	1,736	185.0	129.0
% of Total		38.6%	9.0%	19.6%	18.1%	12.2%	2.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	249	31	65	67	16	0	428	105.6	60.0
% of Total		58.2%	7.2%	15.2%	15.7%	3.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 11										
Harnett	Fel	17	0	1	4	0	1	23	107.0	25.0
	Mis	19	1	3	0	0	0	23	49.8	25.0
Johnston	Fel	10	1	6	2	0	0	19	98.9	58.0
	Mis	30	2	2	2	0	0	36	49.2	26.0
Lee	Fel	17	1	3	1	1	0	23	99.2	66.0
	Mis	20	4	5	1	0	0	30	63.7	37.5
Dist Totals	Fel	44	2	10	7	1	1	65	101.9	58.0
% of Total		67.7%	3.1%	15.4%	10.8%	1.5%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	69	7	10	3	0	0	89	54.2	26.0
% of Total		77.5%	7.9%	11.2%	3.4%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 12										
Cumberland	Fel	204	53	26	46	29	9	367	154.3	74.0
	Mis	76	10	9	11	10	0	116	104.8	44.5
Hoke	Fel	4	0	2	1	0	0	7	115.9	90.0
	Mis	10	0	6	0	0	0	16	62.8	48.5
Dist Totals	Fel	208	53	28	47	29	9	374	153.6	74.0
% of Total		55.6%	14.2%	7.5%	12.6%	7.8%	2.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	86	10	15	11	10	0	132	99.7	44.5
% of Total		65.2%	7.6%	11.4%	8.3%	7.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 13										
Bladen	Fel	31	2	12	5	3	0	53	122.1	75.0
	Mis	23	1	1	3	3	1	32	132.5	66.0
Brunswick	Fel	38	31	10	27	8	17	151	270.1	97.0
	Mis	24	3	3	7	1	9	47	304.7	82.0
Columbus	Fel	25	7	9	10	0	9	60	232.7	111.0
	Mis	30	5	13	5	3	0	56	107.6	71.0
Dist Totals	Fel	94	60	31	42	11	26	264	231.9	97.0
% of Total		35.6%	22.7%	11.7%	15.9%	4.2%	9.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	77	9	17	15	7	10	135	182.1	68.0
% of Total		57.0%	6.7%	12.6%	11.1%	5.2%	7.4%	100.0%		
District 14										
Durham	Fel	332	40	72	83	92	27	646	196.4	88.0
% of Total		51.4%	6.2%	11.1%	12.8%	14.2%	4.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	129	13	12	42	28	12	236	197.0	76.0
% of Total		54.7%	5.5%	5.1%	17.8%	11.9%	5.1%	100.0%		
District 15A										
Alamance	Fel	175	95	7	39	0	1	317	104.2	76.0
% of Total		55.2%	30.0%	2.2%	12.3%	0.0%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	79	156	14	25	1	1	276	100.5	94.0
% of Total		28.6%	56.5%	5.1%	9.1%	0.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 15B										
Chatham	Fel	25	14	2	4	1	0	46	89.0	66.0
	Mis	7	2	0	0	0	0	9	55.6	66.0
Orange	Fel	89	21	13	14	0	0	137	76.5	80.0
	Mis	9	9	3	0	0	0	21	85.2	94.0
Dist Totals	Fel	114	35	15	18	1	0	183	79.6	80.0
% of Total		62.3%	19.1%	8.2%	9.8%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	16	11	3	0	0	0	30	76.3	76.5
% of Total		53.3%	36.7%	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 16										
Robeson	Fel	200	27	9	19	2	2	259	77.4	48.0
	Mis	155	12	17	14	12	0	210	88.1	46.5
Scotland	Fel	63	33	62	22	18	5	203	170.3	129.0
	Mis	110	18	34	26	24	17	229	238.8	102.0
Dist Totals	Fel	263	60	71	41	20	7	462	118.2	87.0
% of Total		56.9%	13.0%	15.4%	8.9%	4.3%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	265	30	51	40	36	17	439	166.7	66.0
% of Total		60.4%	6.8%	11.6%	9.1%	8.2%	3.9%	100.0%		
District 17A										
Caswell	Fel	2	0	4	0	0	0	6	103.3	130.0
	Mis	11	3	1	2	0	0	17	80.9	40.0
Rockingham	Fel	58	4	11	4	1	1	79	102.3	82.0
	Mis	80	0	17	4	0	0	101	71.9	62.0
Dist Totals	Fel	60	4	15	4	1	1	85	102.4	82.0
% of Total		70.6%	4.7%	17.6%	4.7%	1.2%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	91	3	18	6	0	0	118	73.2	62.0
% of Total		77.1%	2.5%	15.3%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B										
Stokes	Fel	36	1	2	0	2	0	41	67.9	48.0
	Mis	26	3	6	1	0	0	36	66.6	48.0
Surry	Fel	56	16	2	1	0	2	77	73.8	39.0
	Mis	47	10	4	1	1	0	63	63.1	40.0
Dist Totals	Fel	92	17	4	1	2	2	118	71.7	47.5
% of Total		78.0%	14.4%	3.4%	0.8%	1.7%	1.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	73	13	10	2	1	0	99	64.4	46.0
% of Total		73.7%	13.1%	10.1%	2.0%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18										
Guilford	Fel	403	71	93	423	309	86	1,385	281.3	195.0
% of Total		29.1%	5.1%	6.7%	30.5%	22.3%	6.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	141	26	51	32	45	26	321	232.1	115.0
% of Total		43.9%	8.1%	15.9%	10.0%	14.0%	8.1%	100.0%		
District 19A										
Cabarrus	Fel	137	10	21	32	4	0	204	90.3	59.0
	Mis	201	35	26	32	4	2	300	96.1	73.0
Rowan	Fel	80	7	2	12	1	0	102	67.3	45.0
	Mis	106	12	24	16	4	0	162	89.3	69.0
Dist Totals	Fel	217	17	23	44	5	0	306	82.6	52.0
% of Total		70.9%	5.6%	7.5%	14.4%	1.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	307	47	50	48	8	2	462	93.7	73.0
% of Total		66.5%	10.2%	10.8%	10.4%	1.7%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 19B										
Montgomery	Fel	86	8	3	3	0	5	105	95.1	24.0
	Mis	93	0	6	19	7	8	133	150.5	54.0
Randolph	Fel	117	24	39	23	12	11	226	166.0	85.0
	Mis	162	52	28	26	10	4	282	109.0	73.0
Dist Totals	Fel	203	32	42	26	12	16	331	143.5	69.0
% of Total		61.3%	9.7%	12.7%	7.9%	3.6%	4.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	255	52	34	45	17	12	415	122.3	73.0
% of Total		61.4%	12.5%	8.2%	10.8%	4.1%	2.9%	100.0%		

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District 20										
Anson	Fel	8	2	10	3	7	0		187.7	143.0
	Mis	28	8	11	1	6	0	54	133.3	69.0
Moore	Fel	80	4	26	3	2	1	116	94.1	59.0
	Mis	42	3	6	4	1	0	56	84.3	63.0
Richmond	Fel	221	5	3	7	7	2	245	58.5	20.0
	Mis	93	15	23	21	1	2	155	107.9	80.0
Stanly	Fel	64	7	4	8	0	2	85	100.7	73.0
	Mis	46	8	3	5	0	0	62	63.4	24.5
Union	Fel	9	8	3	10	8	5	43	295.8	254.0
	Mis	55	6	9	20	8	1	99	135.2	72.0
Dist Totals	Fel	382	26	46	31	24	10	519	100.5	52.0
% of Total		73.6%	5.0%	8.9%	6.0%	4.6%	1.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	264	40	52	51	16	3	426	107.9	69.0
% of Total		62.0%	9.4%	12.2%	12.0%	3.8%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	292	12	15	13	10	0	342	62.2	30.0
% of Total		85.4%	3.5%	4.4%	3.8%	2.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	197	13	3	52	23	0	288	111.4	38.0
% of Total		68.4%	4.5%	1.0%	18.1%	8.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	14	24	8	2	2	0	50	117.0	102.0
	Mis	12	1	8	1	0	0	22	95.5	80.0
Davidson	Fel	75	6	16	14	12	6	129	158.7	54.0
	Mis	88	13	7	12	3	2	125	97.5	54.0
Davie	Fel	3	3	20	5	0	0	31	155.5	167.0
	Mis	23	0	9	6	0	0	38	107.6	89.0
Iredell	Fel	69	15	46	31	14	7	182	171.4	135.0
	Mis	171	25	29	23	2	0	250	77.5	41.0
Dist Totals	Fel	161	48	90	52	28	13	392	159.0	107.0
% of Total		41.1%	12.2%	23.0%	13.3%	7.1%	3.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	294	39	53	42	5	2	435	86.8	54.0
% of Total		67.6%	9.0%	12.2%	9.7%	1.1%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	6	0	3	2	12	1	24	313.3	424.0
	Mis	6	1	0	0	0	0	7	69.4	75.0
Ashe	Fel	5	1	0	10	0	1	17	265.7	234.0
	Mis	8	3	0	14	4	3	32	320.0	230.5
Wilkes	Fel	45	4	13	23	3	4	92	169.2	105.5
	Mis	47	5	18	16	10	5	101	209.5	107.0
Yadkin	Fel	13	11	12	11	3	2	52	179.3	144.0
	Mis	19	9	9	8	1	0	46	127.8	95.0
Dist Totals	Fel	69	16	28	46	18	8	185	199.6	149.0
% of Total		37.3%	8.6%	15.1%	24.9%	9.7%	4.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	80	18	27	38	15	8	186	203.0	107.0
% of Total		43.0%	9.7%	14.5%	20.4%	8.1%	4.3%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	4	2	4	4	8	5	27	541.7	346.0
	Mis	2	1	3	3	2	1	12	341.1	229.0
Madison	Fel	4	3	7	9	7	0	30	288.8	224.5
	Mis	3	1	2	3	2	3	14	365.4	255.0
Mitchell	Fel	1	5	4	6	2	0	18	232.0	158.0
	Mis	4	2	4	16	0	0	26	196.0	195.0
Watauga	Fel	67	2	3	9	10	0	91	122.1	73.0
	Mis	21	8	3	4	0	0	36	79.8	68.5
Yancey	Fel	3	0	4	12	3	0	22	246.7	273.0
	Mis	1	2	1	0	1	0	5	193.4	111.0
Dist Totals	Fel	79	12	22	40	30	5	188	234.0	128.0
% of Total		42.0%	6.4%	11.7%	21.3%	16.0%	2.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	31	14	13	26	5	4	93	195.1	124.0
% of Total		33.3%	15.1%	14.0%	28.0%	5.4%	4.3%	100.0%		

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		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 25										
Burke	Fel	81	15	26	34	14	6	176	188.3	95.0
	Mis	85	11	18	48	25	2	189	177.2	109.0
Caldwell	Fel	83	62	57	19	15	6	242	140.3	95.0
	Mis	98	9	44	21	3	0	175	104.0	76.0
Catawba	Fel	160	23	91	63	19	5	361	144.8	107.0
	Mis	137	33	36	31	5	3	245	106.2	68.0
Dist Totals	Fel	324	100	174	116	48	17	779	153.2	95.0
% of Total		41.6%	12.8%	22.3%	14.9%	6.2%	2.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	320	53	98	100	33	5	609	127.6	80.0
% of Total		52.5%	8.7%	16.1%	16.4%	5.4%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	570	128	141	172	84	34	1,129	159.1	89.0
% of Total		50.5%	11.3%	12.5%	15.2%	7.4%	3.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	290	68	56	56	17	5	492	113.2	66.0
% of Total		58.9%	13.8%	11.4%	11.4%	3.5%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	139	27	24	15	4	1	210	96.7	55.0
% of Total		66.2%	12.9%	11.4%	7.1%	1.9%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	128	19	16	29	20	1	213	134.5	74.0
% of Total		60.1%	8.9%	7.5%	13.6%	9.4%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	222	23	12	15	5	2	279	90.5	55.0
	Mis	65	16	5	11	3	2	102	118.6	73.5
Lincoln	Fel	58	6	1	5	0	0	70	51.8	25.0
	Mis	34	5	9	6	5	0	59	111.9	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	280	29	13	20	5	2	349	82.8	55.0
% of Total		80.2%	8.3%	3.7%	5.7%	1.4%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	99	21	14	17	8	2	161	116.2	65.0
% of Total		61.5%	13.0%	8.7%	10.6%	5.0%	1.2%	100.0%		
District 28										
Dist Totals	Fel	146	20	31	32	29	12	270	182.6	87.0
% of Total		54.1%	7.4%	11.5%	11.9%	10.7%	4.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	41	1	13	5	2	2	64	115.9	54.5
% of Total		64.1%	1.6%	20.3%	7.8%	3.1%	3.1%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	65	16	19	8	13	11	132	234.7	107.0
	Mis	43	1	6	1	10	3	64	209.6	12.0
McDowell	Fel	65	9	0	1	0	1	76	45.8	11.0
	Mis	20	2	2	0	1	0	25	63.8	45.0
Polk	Fel	28	1	15	15	1	0	60	152.1	163.0
	Mis	4	2	3	11	3	1	24	308.3	284.0
Rutherford	Fel	73	3	55	20	10	2	163	149.7	124.0
	Mis	43	5	13	27	15	0	103	185.5	136.0
Transylvania	Fel	31	11	5	7	15	7	76	250.8	104.0
	Mis	4	1	5	3	4	0	17	208.9	129.0
Dist Totals	Fel	262	40	94	51	39	21	507	171.7	90.0
% of Total		51.7%	7.9%	18.5%	10.1%	7.7%	4.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	114	11	29	42	33	4	233	193.4	103.0
% of Total		48.9%	4.7%	12.4%	18.0%	14.2%	1.7%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

		Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 30										
Cherokee	Fel	34	0	4	13	10	2	63	214.3	61.0
	Mis	25	2	4	14	1	1	47	161.8	59.0
Clay	Fel	36	0	1	18	0	0	55	143.1	76.0
	Mis	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	72.2	88.0
Graham	Fel	5	52	1	0	16	0	74	181.3	118.0
	Mis	22	0	14	9	6	2	53	174.0	145.0
haywood	Fel	66	1	13	27	53	11	171	273.7	195.0
	Mis	52	3	9	22	9	1	96	153.4	78.5
Jackson	Fel	14	1	1	3	11	0	30	188.9	147.5
	Mis	2	1	2	1	2	1	9	247.9	146.0
Macon	Fel	27	2	5	3	5	4	46	828.8	82.0
	Mis	1	1	4	15	2	1	24	318.7	244.0
Swain	Fel	7	0	7	16	0	1	31	207.4	194.0
	Mis	15	1	4	9	0	1	30	154.1	91.0
Dist Totals	Fel	189	56	32	80	95	18	470	231.5	118.0
% of Total		40.2%	11.9%	6.8%	17.0%	20.2%	3.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	122	8	37	70	20	7	264	175.8	124.0
% of Total		46.2%	3.0%	14.0%	26.5%	7.6%	2.7%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	7,632	1,385	1,829	2,017	1,269	468	14,600	164.3	88.0
% of Total		52.3%	9.5%	12.5%	13.8%	8.7%	3.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	5,081	867	958	1,138	455	150	8,649	128.6	72.0
% of Total		58.7%	10.0%	11.1%	13.2%	5.3%	1.7%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 – June 30, 1985

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	9	0	7	2	2	0	20	147.4	161.0
	Mis	29	13	6	19	5	0	72	142.6	98.5
Chowan	Fel	25	2	2	9	2	0	40	119.6	74.5
	Mis	148	14	29	16	3	1	211	84.0	58.0
Currituck	Fel	30	6	20	5	1	0	62	112.0	94.5
	Mis	71	21	22	19	0	0	133	101.6	71.0
Dare	Fel	98	22	13	8	1	0	142	77.5	59.0
	Mis	159	27	39	37	3	1	266	101.5	74.0
Gates	Fel	1	5	6	12	3	0	27	212.0	182.0
	Mis	38	9	10	11	2	1	71	129.5	85.0
Pasquotank	Fel	88	23	25	27	14	5	182	159.1	94.0
	Mis	382	70	60	61	14	3	590	85.2	55.5
Perquimans	Fel	13	6	6	14	1	0	40	150.1	121.0
	Mis	50	16	14	27	15	1	123	163.8	117.0
Dist Totals	Fel	264	64	79	77	24	5	513	129.4	87.0
% of Total		51.5%	12.5%	15.4%	15.0%	4.7%	1.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	877	170	180	190	42	7	1,466	101.0	67.0
% of Total		59.8%	11.6%	12.3%	13.0%	2.9%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	75	20	111	43	51	5	305	200.3	144.0
	Mis	113	43	36	26	9	4	231	130.6	94.0
Hyde	Fel	12	3	2	2	2	4	25	223.0	110.0
	Mis	15	0	2	5	0	0	22	97.4	58.0
Martin	Fel	108	20	16	9	3	0	156	84.6	69.5
	Mis	49	12	16	20	7	0	104	142.6	92.5
Tyrrell	Fel	14	4	4	0	6	0	28	156.1	94.5
	Mis	22	4	4	2	1	0	33	97.0	61.0
Washington	Fel	76	5	15	22	5	0	123	120.1	75.0
	Mis	47	4	12	17	6	0	86	124.6	82.0
Dist Totals	Fel	285	52	148	76	67	9	637	155.4	108.0
% of Total		44.7%	8.2%	23.2%	11.9%	10.5%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	246	63	70	70	23	4	476	128.3	85.0
% of Total		51.7%	13.2%	14.7%	14.7%	4.8%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	82	39	27	32	10	3	193	135.6	95.0
	Mis	66	15	12	8	1	1	103	86.8	60.0
Craven	Fel	269	99	67	72	16	0	523	108.6	77.0
	Mis	238	41	33	26	0	0	338	71.5	49.5
Pamlico	Fel	4	3	1	2	0	1	11	211.7	117.0
	Mis	20	7	2	3	0	2	34	127.6	88.0
Pitt	Fel	453	91	96	132	22	0	794	117.5	76.5
	Mis	505	44	69	58	27	2	705	92.8	64.0
Dist Totals	Fel	808	232	191	238	48	4	1,521	117.4	83.0
% of Total		53.1%	15.3%	12.6%	15.6%	3.2%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	829	107	116	95	28	5	1,180	87.2	60.0
% of Total		70.3%	9.1%	9.8%	8.1%	2.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	561	25	18	8	8	0	620	44.9	22.0
	Mis	49	3	2	5	0	0	59	50.4	31.0
Jones	Fel	7	13	0	1	0	0	21	81.0	96.0
	Mis	10	1	0	0	0	0	11	52.5	59.0
Onslow	Fel	698	68	45	31	20	0	862	61.0	39.0
	Mis	171	43	12	5	0	0	231	59.8	52.0
Sampson	Fel	339	8	17	12	0	0	376	41.0	27.0
	Mis	52	3	1	0	0	0	56	35.5	22.5
Dist Totals	Fel	1,605	114	80	52	28	0	1,879	51.9	33.0
% of Total		85.4%	6.1%	4.3%	2.8%	1.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	282	50	15	10	0	0	357	54.2	42.0
% of Total		79.0%	14.0%	4.2%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 – June 30, 1985

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	960	152	218	140	66	1	1,537	103.6	76.0
	Mis	497	70	86	51	12	0	716	81.9	62.0
Pender	Fel	48	11	5	16	3	0	83	109.6	62.0
	Mis	58	14	4	2	1	0	79	61.0	48.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,008	163	223	156	69	1	1,620	103.9	76.0
% of Total		62.2%	10.1%	13.8%	9.6%	4.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	555	84	90	53	13	0	795	79.8	61.0
% of Total		69.8%	10.6%	11.3%	6.7%	1.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	65	10	14	3	3	0	95	85.1	51.0
	Mis	60	19	12	10	2	0	103	95.4	70.0
Halifax	Fel	201	15	16	69	16	2	319	130.0	74.0
	Mis	123	14	26	47	18	1	229	140.8	78.0
Hertford	Fel	91	8	10	41	1	6	157	139.8	78.0
	Mis	71	4	18	11	1	0	105	80.5	48.0
Northampton	Fel	56	23	13	14	3	2	111	121.2	86.0
	Mis	41	16	19	18	2	0	96	123.0	108.0
Dist Totals	Fel	413	56	53	127	23	10	682	124.6	74.0
% of Total		60.6%	8.2%	7.8%	18.6%	3.4%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	295	53	75	86	23	1	533	116.9	73.0
% of Total		55.3%	9.9%	14.1%	16.1%	4.3%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	179	24	14	3	1	10	231	105.5	52.0
	Mis	216	18	15	6	6	2	263	75.2	57.0
Nash	Fel	271	24	35	15	6	0	351	77.8	60.0
	Mis	167	23	20	15	1	1	227	66.6	33.0
Wilson	Fel	189	31	31	32	6	13	302	124.8	69.5
	Mis	75	18	18	12	9	0	132	120.3	72.0
Dist Totals	Fel	639	79	80	50	13	23	884	101.1	61.0
% of Total		72.3%	8.9%	9.0%	5.7%	1.5%	2.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	458	59	53	33	16	3	622	81.6	53.0
% of Total		73.6%	9.5%	8.5%	5.3%	2.6%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	123	7	45	22	11	0	208	114.4	77.0
	Mis	50	15	20	17	1	0	103	112.7	94.0
Lenoir	Fel	170	39	30	32	8	0	279	97.3	63.0
	Mis	294	65	61	35	1	0	456	84.7	71.0
Wayne	Fel	207	92	86	47	4	0	436	102.9	91.0
	Mis	255	73	70	56	7	0	461	98.7	84.0
Dist Totals	Fel	500	138	161	101	23	0	923	103.8	84.0
% of Total		54.2%	15.0%	17.4%	10.9%	2.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	599	153	151	108	9	0	1,020	93.8	77.0
% of Total		58.7%	15.0%	14.8%	10.6%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	135	49	34	20	8	1	247	104.8	71.0
	Mis	137	27	20	37	6	7	234	134.4	78.0
Granville	Fel	97	34	41	39	6	2	219	151.0	103.0
	Mis	118	59	48	51	5	3	284	131.0	107.0
Person	Fel	40	21	13	37	7	1	119	160.0	118.0
	Mis	36	26	32	65	45	0	204	217.0	191.0
Vance	Fel	147	38	67	15	6	3	276	110.3	77.5
	Mis	141	27	47	20	10	6	251	121.1	77.0
Warren	Fel	30	6	9	14	14	3	76	228.2	128.0
	Mis	39	6	10	28	23	3	109	248.9	168.0
Dist Totals	Fel	449	148	164	125	41	10	937	134.3	93.0
% of Total		47.9%	15.8%	17.5%	13.3%	4.4%	1.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	471	145	157	201	89	19	1,082	157.5	107.0
% of Total		43.5%	13.4%	14.5%	18.6%	8.2%	1.8%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 10										
Wake	Fel	712	307	563	623	336	13	2,554	187.8	144.0
% of Total		27.9%	12.0%	22.0%	24.4%	13.2%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,311	260	375	441	186	7	2,580	133.7	87.0
% of Total		50.8%	10.1%	14.5%	17.1%	7.2%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 11										
Harnett	Fel	246	10	9	19	3	0	287	57.3	39.0
	Mis	78	4	1	1	0	0	84	39.5	26.5
Johnston	Fel	248	42	43	11	3	0	347	66.8	46.0
	Mis	197	39	23	11	1	0	271	64.9	47.0
Lee	Fel	258	34	28	32	1	2	355	86.7	62.0
	Mis	135	22	35	13	2	5	212	110.0	63.0
Dist Totals	Fel	752	86	80	62	7	2	989	71.2	47.0
% of Total		76.0%	8.7%	8.1%	6.3%	0.7%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	410	65	59	25	3	5	567	78.0	52.0
% of Total		72.3%	11.5%	10.4%	4.4%	0.5%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 12										
Cumberland	Fel	660	180	247	238	66	1	1,392	123.3	96.0
	Mis	300	96	83	39	14	0	532	90.8	76.0
Hoke	Fel	73	7	10	7	0	0	97	69.1	55.0
	Mis	31	14	16	10	1	0	72	103.8	101.0
Dist Totals	Fel	733	187	257	245	66	1	1,489	119.8	92.0
% of Total		49.2%	12.6%	17.3%	16.5%	4.4%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	331	110	99	49	15	0	604	92.3	77.0
% of Total		54.8%	18.2%	16.4%	8.1%	2.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 13										
Bladen	Fel	40	38	34	14	13	1	140	145.2	116.0
	Mis	56	9	16	12	3	1	97	112.2	68.0
Brunswick	Fel	62	37	48	44	13	12	216	203.8	131.0
	Mis	25	13	18	22	7	0	85	166.3	126.0
Columbus	Fel	71	33	36	45	3	0	188	121.2	113.0
	Mis	179	48	34	20	5	0	286	95.1	83.0
Dist Totals	Fel	173	108	118	103	29	13	544	160.2	119.0
% of Total		31.8%	19.9%	21.7%	18.9%	5.3%	2.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	260	70	68	54	15	1	468	111.6	83.0
% of Total		55.6%	15.0%	14.5%	11.5%	3.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 14										
Durham	Fel	588	137	152	255	91	14	1,237	150.0	96.0
% of Total		47.5%	11.1%	12.3%	20.6%	7.4%	1.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	244	65	53	70	29	4	465	134.7	81.0
% of Total		52.5%	14.0%	11.4%	15.1%	6.2%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 15A										
Alamance	Fel	303	164	237	210	22	0	936	137.2	121.0
% of Total		32.4%	17.5%	25.3%	22.4%	2.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	278	103	107	82	8	0	578	106.6	92.0
% of Total		48.1%	17.8%	18.5%	14.2%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 15B										
Chatham	Fel	91	12	41	15	2	0	161	106.4	78.0
	Mis	42	6	5	2	0	0	55	66.8	50.0
Orange	Fel	178	65	92	47	6	0	388	110.2	98.5
	Mis	58	3	11	9	0	0	81	75.4	48.0
Dist Totals	Fel	269	77	133	62	8	0	549	109.1	91.0
% of Total		49.0%	14.0%	24.2%	11.3%	1.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	100	9	16	11	0	0	136	71.9	48.0
% of Total		73.5%	6.6%	11.8%	8.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 16										
Robeson	Fel	758	118	32	115	14	0	1,037	81.4	56.0
	Mis	433	74	55	46	2	0	610	72.0	62.0
Scotland	Fel	79	20	69	56	14	5	243	178.1	134.0
	Mis	41	15	27	54	29	9	175	248.9	187.0
Dist Totals	Fel	837	138	101	171	28	5	1,280	99.8	63.0
% of Total		65.4%	10.8%	7.9%	13.4%	2.2%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	474	89	82	100	31	9	785	111.4	69.0
% of Total		60.4%	11.3%	10.4%	12.7%	3.9%	1.1%	100.0%		
District 17A										
Caswell	Fel	117	88	2	14	0	1	222	89.0	83.0
	Mis	97	20	9	1	0	0	127	60.9	56.0
Rockingham	Fel	462	41	47	29	1	4	584	70.0	51.5
	Mis	372	27	45	28	0	0	472	59.5	41.0
Dist Totals	Fel	579	129	49	43	1	5	806	75.2	64.0
% of Total		71.8%	16.0%	6.1%	5.3%	0.1%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	469	47	54	29	0	0	599	59.8	42.0
% of Total		78.3%	7.8%	9.0%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B										
Stokes	Fel	159	7	23	1	1	0	191	53.4	34.0
	Mis	142	34	49	15	0	0	240	85.6	73.5
Surry	Fel	313	64	43	27	0	3	450	87.3	69.0
	Mis	413	58	35	25	1	0	532	70.3	63.0
Dist Totals	Fel	472	71	66	28	1	3	641	77.2	60.0
% of Total		73.6%	11.1%	10.3%	4.4%	0.2%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	555	92	84	40	1	0	772	75.1	63.0
% of Total		71.9%	11.9%	10.9%	5.2%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18										
Guilford	Fel	1,511	402	653	454	105	40	3,165	128.6	97.0
% of Total		47.7%	12.7%	20.6%	14.3%	3.3%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	454	108	98	106	42	6	814	116.1	73.0
% of Total		55.8%	13.3%	12.0%	13.0%	5.2%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 19A										
Cabarrus	Fel	276	142	149	67	11	3	648	119.9	102.5
	Mis	297	188	130	91	18	1	725	118.7	102.0
Rowan	Fel	342	73	80	46	10	0	551	94.2	71.0
	Mis	400	48	37	42	0	1	528	75.5	58.0
Dist Totals	Fel	618	215	229	113	21	3	1,199	108.1	88.0
% of Total		51.5%	17.9%	19.1%	9.4%	1.8%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	697	236	167	133	18	2	1,253	100.5	78.0
% of Total		55.6%	18.8%	13.3%	10.6%	1.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 19B										
Montgomery	Fel	54	31	18	189	2	0	294	258.6	364.0
	Mis	167	60	52	41	7	0	327	106.3	90.0
Randolph	Fel	145	43	206	130	36	38	598	246.4	149.0
	Mis	570	157	121	134	37	19	1,038	125.0	83.0
Dist Totals	Fel	199	74	224	319	38	38	892	250.4	159.0
% of Total		22.3%	8.3%	25.1%	35.8%	4.3%	4.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	737	217	173	175	44	19	1,365	120.5	86.0
% of Total		54.0%	15.9%	12.7%	12.8%	3.2%	1.4%	100.0%		

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		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	365-730	>730			
District 20										
Anson	Fel	109	37	21	20	12	1	200	113.3	80.0
	Mis	140	33	34	69	31	1	308	150.0	105.0
Moore	Fel	299	32	71	8	9	2	421	78.7	48.0
	Mis	297	31	18	10	6	1	363	66.7	47.0
Richmond	Fel	448	45	58	19	2	2	574	69.5	46.0
	Mis	355	32	38	18	2	0	445	62.5	49.0
Stanly	Fel	184	23	49	14	5	0	275	80.1	54.0
	Mis	306	52	39	23	0	1	421	69.1	63.0
Union	Fel	409	42	94	32	6	2	585	79.5	49.0
	Mis	446	40	67	39	2	0	594	66.7	40.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,449	179	293	93	34	7	2,055	79.9	50.5
% of Total		70.5%	8.7%	14.3%	4.5%	1.7%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,544	188	196	159	41	3	2,131	78.3	49.0
% of Total		72.5%	8.8%	9.2%	7.5%	1.9%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	1,642	189	98	85	9	0	2,023	68.9	56.0
% of Total		81.2%	9.3%	4.8%	4.2%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	2,176	99	87	71	6	0	2,439	51.7	41.0
% of Total		89.2%	4.1%	3.6%	2.9%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	25	1	18	14	3	0	61	142.5	145.0
	Mis	87	15	19	7	4	2	134	107.7	53.0
Davidson	Fel	125	15	51	24	7	2	224	118.8	90.0
	Mis	373	44	52	38	7	0	514	75.3	49.0
Davie	Fel	43	18	18	10	0	0	89	101.6	92.0
	Mis	50	21	16	6	0	0	93	82.1	55.0
Iredell	Fel	149	36	67	67	23	1	343	147.9	103.0
	Mis	412	41	50	32	5	1	541	72.6	50.0
Dist Totals	Fel	342	70	154	115	33	3	717	132.6	97.0
% of Total		47.7%	9.8%	21.5%	16.0%	4.6%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	922	121	137	83	16	3	1,282	78.0	52.0
% of Total		71.9%	9.4%	10.7%	6.5%	1.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	16	17	17	15	5	0	70	155.7	130.5
	Mis	5	2	3	10	1	0	21	200.0	219.0
Ashe	Fel	46	13	14	7	4	0	84	100.6	70.0
	Mis	22	8	12	17	15	5	79	263.1	162.0
Wilkes	Fel	90	38	43	34	9	5	219	161.8	100.0
	Mis	246	59	46	94	20	16	481	163.2	87.0
Yadkin	Fel	28	6	24	44	7	1	110	190.6	169.0
	Mis	49	11	16	26	4	1	107	137.8	103.0
Dist Totals	Fel	180	74	98	100	25	6	483	156.8	107.0
% of Total		37.3%	15.3%	20.3%	20.7%	5.2%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	322	80	77	147	40	22	688	171.8	103.0
% of Total		46.8%	11.6%	11.2%	21.4%	5.8%	3.2%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	18	13	35	8	9	1	84	186.3	141.0
	Mis	12	5	2	6	0	1	26	153.6	91.0
Madison	Fel	15	1	10	23	19	1	69	251.3	231.0
	Mis	7	0	0	2	0	0	9	76.6	29.0
Mitchell	Fel	13	4	7	7	2	1	34	166.4	127.0
	Mis	8	0	0	3	2	0	13	161.2	66.0
Watauga	Fel	110	116	51	51	5	0	333	120.9	95.0
	Mis	30	13	17	4	2	0	66	99.1	96.5
Yancey	Fel	7	13	5	26	10	1	62	233.9	272.5
	Mis	9	2	12	10	8	3	44	281.3	154.0
Dist Totals	Fel	163	147	108	115	45	4	582	160.5	106.0
% of Total		28.0%	25.3%	18.6%	19.8%	7.7%	0.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	66	20	31	25	12	4	158	162.6	104.0
% of Total		41.8%	12.7%	19.6%	15.8%	7.6%	2.5%	100.0%		

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District 25										
Burke	Fel	61	48	58	76	3	2	248	153.1	136.0
	Mis	117	42	70	40	5	5	279	132.8	102.0
Caldwell	Fel	200	78	90	96	15	6	485	141.0	105.0
	Mis	169	46	66	42	6	0	329	104.7	88.0
Catawba	Fel	251	123	82	107	14	0	577	125.6	100.0
	Mis	396	76	56	34	15	5	582	96.1	70.0
Dist Totals	Fel	512	249	230	279	32	8	1,310	136.5	107.0
% of Total		39.1%	19.0%	17.6%	21.3%	2.4%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	682	164	192	116	26	10	1,190	107.1	80.0
% of Total		57.3%	13.8%	16.1%	9.7%	2.2%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	1,058	403	545	779	205	92	3,082	181.9	126.0
% of Total		34.3%	13.1%	17.7%	25.3%	6.7%	3.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	621	132	147	185	46	25	1,156	140.1	85.0
% of Total		53.7%	11.4%	12.7%	16.0%	4.0%	2.2%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	849	121	181	82	14	1	1,248	76.9	58.0
% of Total		68.0%	9.7%	14.5%	6.6%	1.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	518	86	86	58	17	4	769	89.9	66.0
% of Total		67.4%	11.2%	11.2%	7.5%	2.2%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	305	57	51	53	2	1	469	89.9	69.0
	Mis	176	45	71	41	4	0	337	104.2	86.0
Lincoln	Fel	98	23	16	31	2	0	170	105.4	68.0
	Mis	94	22	34	43	8	0	201	128.9	95.0
Dist Totals	Fel	403	80	67	84	4	1	639	94.0	68.5
% of Total		63.1%	12.5%	10.5%	13.1%	0.6%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	270	67	105	84	12	0	538	113.4	90.0
% of Total		50.2%	12.5%	19.5%	15.6%	2.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 28										
Buncombe	Fel	402	157	145	106	22	8	840	122.2	94.0
% of Total		47.9%	18.7%	17.3%	12.6%	2.6%	1.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	274	33	44	23	2	0	376	76.3	62.0
% of Total		72.9%	8.8%	11.7%	6.1%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	200	24	89	49	17	1	380	115.4	75.0
	Mis	87	11	31	36	6	0	171	124.7	90.0
McDowell	Fel	114	23	29	29	2	0	197	100.5	75.0
	Mis	101	22	25	15	0	0	163	86.6	64.0
Polk	Fel	6	0	6	10	5	0	27	185.0	195.0
	Mis	6	0	3	3	1	1	14	248.6	137.5
Rutherford	Fel	149	48	46	25	13	2	283	119.2	88.0
	Mis	135	60	37	24	1	0	257	91.8	88.0
Transylvania	Fel	26	12	11	26	3	0	78	141.6	131.0
	Mis	15	13	17	9	8	0	62	162.3	124.5
Dist Totals	Fel	495	107	181	139	40	3	965	117.5	88.0
% of Total		51.3%	11.1%	18.8%	14.4%	4.1%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	344	106	113	87	16	1	667	108.8	88.5
% of Total		51.6%	15.9%	16.9%	13.0%	2.4%	0.1%	100.0%		

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District 30										
Cherokee	Fel	37	17	27	6	4	6	97	150.9	93.0
	Mis	35	4	14	8	3	3	67	140.5	84.0
Clay	Fel	10	1	0	1	0	0	12	78.3	76.5
	Mis	6	4	8	3	0	0	21	126.0	137.0
Graham	Fel	20	0	1	12	1	0	34	151.6	87.0
	Mis	8	2	5	20	4	0	39	195.1	199.0
Haywood	Fel	135	64	39	91	28	5	362	168.9	113.0
	Mis	70	12	35	71	22	4	214	190.3	158.5
Jackson	Fel	66	18	20	38	17	0	159	152.1	111.0
	Mis	26	12	8	10	0	0	56	110.3	95.0
Macon	Fel	51	2	9	24	7	0	93	122.1	64.0
	Mis	24	3	3	12	3	1	46	154.0	78.5
Swain	Fel	12	0	6	5	2	0	25	136.9	126.0
	Mis	6	0	4	2	0	0	12	92.2	93.0
Dist Totals	Fel	331	102	102	177	59	11	782	154.5	108.0
% of Total		42.3%	13.0%	13.0%	22.6%	7.5%	1.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	175	37	77	126	32	8	455	164.3	134.0
% of Total		38.5%	8.1%	16.9%	27.7%	7.0%	1.8%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	21,543	5,019	6,243	5,844	1,611	543	40,603	123.0	84.0
% of Total		53.1%	12.4%	15.4%	14.4%	4.0%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	18,846	3,488	3,634	3,325	901	172	30,366	124.4	67.0
% of Total		62.1%	11.5%	12.0%	10.9%	3.0%	0.6%	100.0%		

PART IV, Section 2

District Court Division
Caseflow Data

The District Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseflow in 1984-85 of cases filed and disposed of in the State's district courts, including those handled by magistrates.

When the plaintiff in a civil case requests, and the amount in controversy does not exceed $1,500, the case may be classified as a "small claim" civil action and assigned to a magistrate for hearing. Magistrates also have certain criminal case jurisdiction. They may accept written appearance and waiver of trial, with plea of guilty, and enter judgment in accord with the schedule of fines promulgated by chief district judges for traffic offenses; and effective July 1, 1984, for boating, hunting and fishing offenses. Also, magistrates may accept guilty pleas in other misdemeanor cases where the sentence cannot be in excess of 30 days or $50 fine; and may hear and enter judgment in worthless check cases where the amount involved is $500 or less, and any prison sentence imposed does not exceed 30 days.

Appeals from magistrates' judgments in both civil and criminal cases are to the district court, with a district court judge presiding.

This section contains data on three major case classifications in the district court division: civil cases, juvenile proceedings, and criminal cases. Civil cases include cases assigned to magistrates (small claims as defined above), domestic relations cases (chiefly concerned with annulments, divorces, alimony, custody and support of children), and "general civil" cases. Juvenile proceedings are classified in accordance with the nature of the offense or condition alleged in the petition which initiates the case. District court criminal cases are divided into motor vehicle cases (where the offense charged is defined in Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes) and non-motor criminal cases.

Consistent with previous years, the pie charts on the following page illustrate that district court criminal cases filed and disposed of in the 1984-85 year greatly outnumbered civil cases. Motor vehicle criminal cases accounted for about fifty per cent of total filings and dispositions, and the non-motor vehicle criminal cases accounted for about twenty-seven per cent. As in past years, the greatest portion of district court civil filings and dispositions were small claims referred to magistrates.

The large volume categories of criminal motor-vehicle and civil magistrate cases are not reported to AOC by case file numbers. Therefore, it is not possible to obtain, by computer processing, the numbers of pending cases as of a given date or the ages of cases pending and ages of cases at disposition. These categories of cases are processed through the courts faster than any others, thus explaining the decision not to allocate personnel and computer resource to reporting these cases in the detail that is provided for other categories of cases.

Also, juvenile proceedings and hearings on commitment or recommitment of persons to the State's mental hospital facilities are not reported to AOC by case file numbers.

Two tables are provided on juvenile proceedings: offenses and conditions alleged, and numbers of adjudicatory hearings held.

Data on district court hearings for mental hospital commitments and recommitments is reported in Part III, "Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents."

Ages of district court cases pending on June 30, 1985, and ages of cases disposed of during 1984-85 are reported for the domestic relations, general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer, and criminal non-motor vehicle case categories.

The tables for domestic relations and general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases show that the median age of such cases which were pending on June 30, 1985, was 149 and 152 days, respectively, compared with a median age of 156 days for general civil and domestic relations cases pending on June 30, 1984. At the time of disposition during 1984-85, the median age of domestic relations cases was 51 days, and the median age for general civil and magistrate/transfer cases was 110 days, compared with a median age of 64.5 days at the time of disposition for general civil and domestic relations cases during 1983-84.

For district court non-motor vehicle criminal cases, the median age for cases pending on June 30, 1985, was 48 days compared with a median age of 44 days for cases pending on June 30, 1984. The median age of cases in this category at the time of disposition during 1984-85 was 27 days compared with a median age of 26 days at the time of disposition during 1983-84.

The Statewide total district court filings during 1984-85, not including juvenile cases, and mental hospital commitment hearings, and civil license revocations, was 1,496,526 cases, compared with 1,450,179 during 1983-84, an increase of 46,347 (3.2%). Most of this increase came in the non-motor vehicle criminal case category where filings in 1983-84 amounted to 382,780 cases compared to 412,534 cases filed in 1984-85, an increase of 29,754 (7.8%) cases. There was an increase of 3,591 cases (0.5%) in the motor vehicle criminal case category.

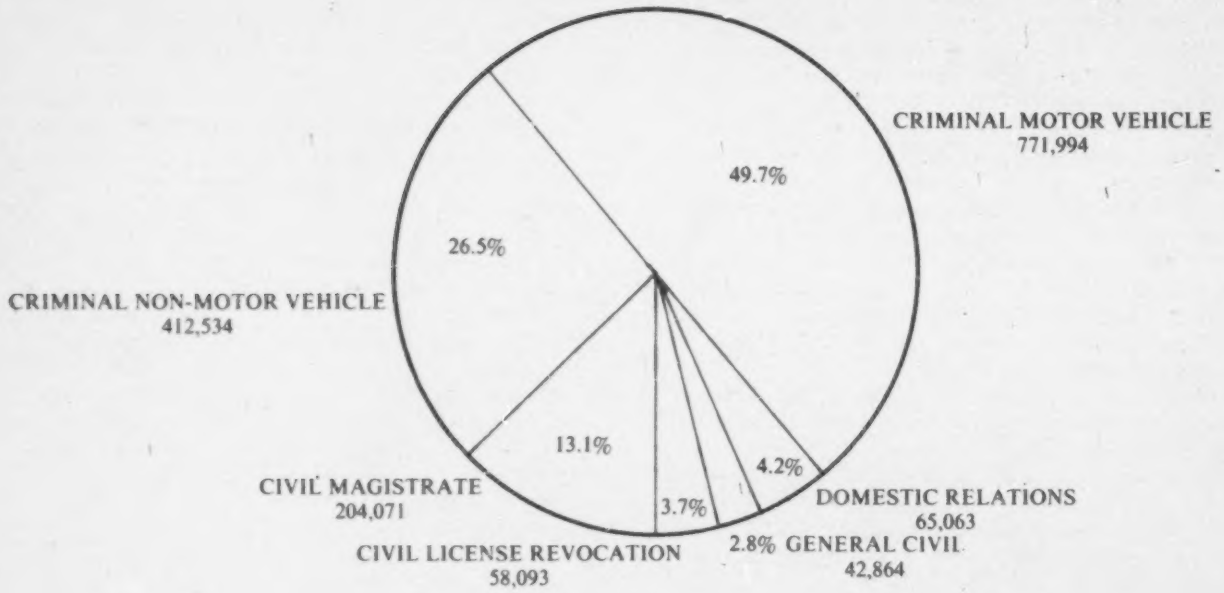
There also was an increase (4.4%) in district court civil case filings, from a total of 298,996 in 1983-84 to 311,998 in 1984-85. Most of this increase was in civil magistrate filings, from 194, 321 cases in 1983-84 to 204,071 cases in 1984-85. In the domestic relations category, there was an increase of 6,024 cases in 1984-85 compared to the number in 1983-84.

The changes from year-to-year in the individual case categories are not unusual. The over-all trend for *total* district court case filings over the past several years has been upward. This upward trend is reflected in the total 1984-85 district court case filings.

FILING AND DISPOSITION IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

FILINGS



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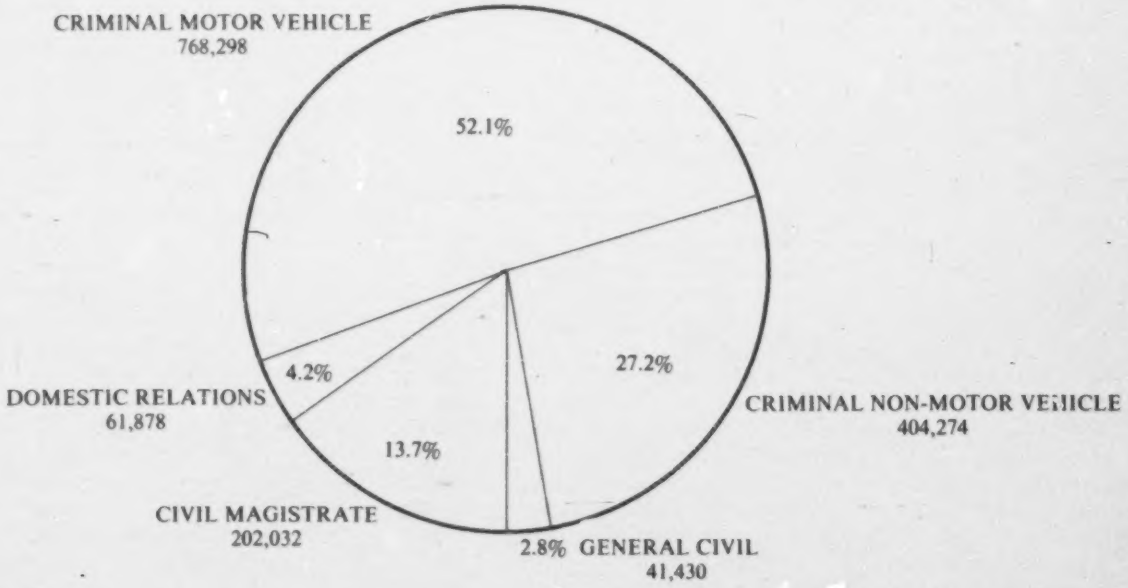
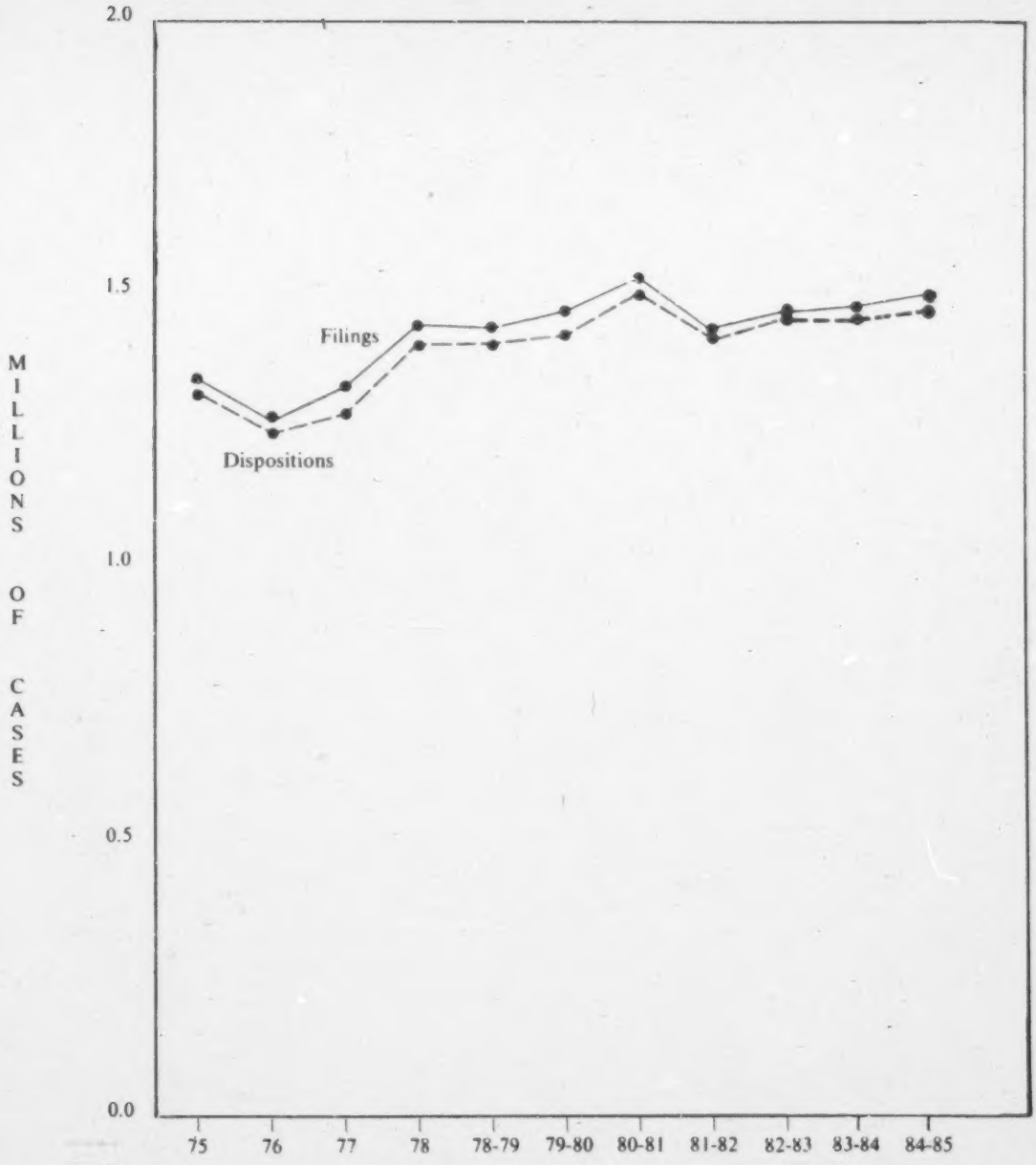


Criminal cases, both motor vehicle and non-motor vehicle, dominate the district court caseload. 76.2% of all district court filings and 79.3% of all district court dispositions during fiscal year 1984-85 were criminal cases.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

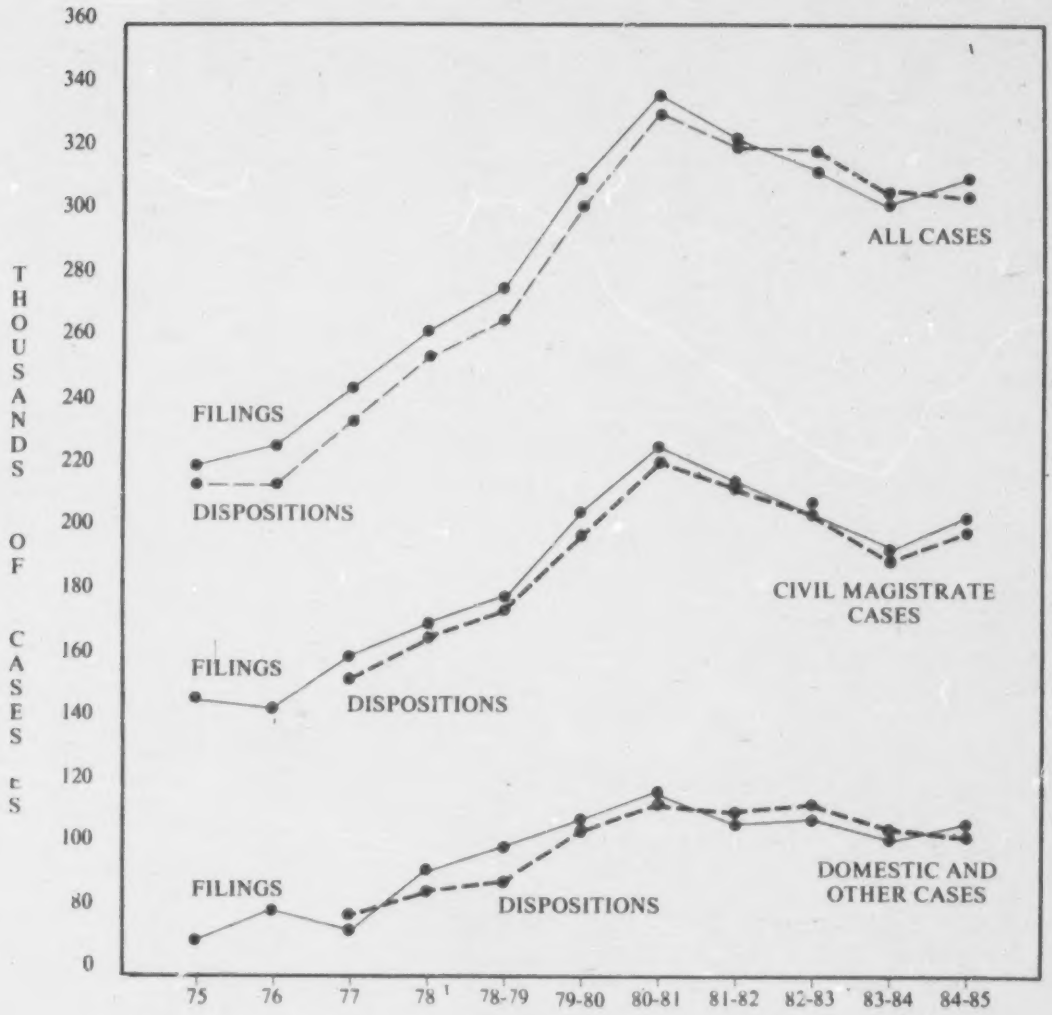
1975 — 1984-85



All civil and criminal case filings and dispositions for the last decade, including traffic offenses and civil magistrate cases, are included in the above graph. The increase in filings and dispositions for fiscal year 1984-85 is largely due to a 12.9% increase in criminal non-motor vehicle cases, although civil domestic and criminal motor vehicle cases also increased.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF CIVIL DISTRICT COURT CASES

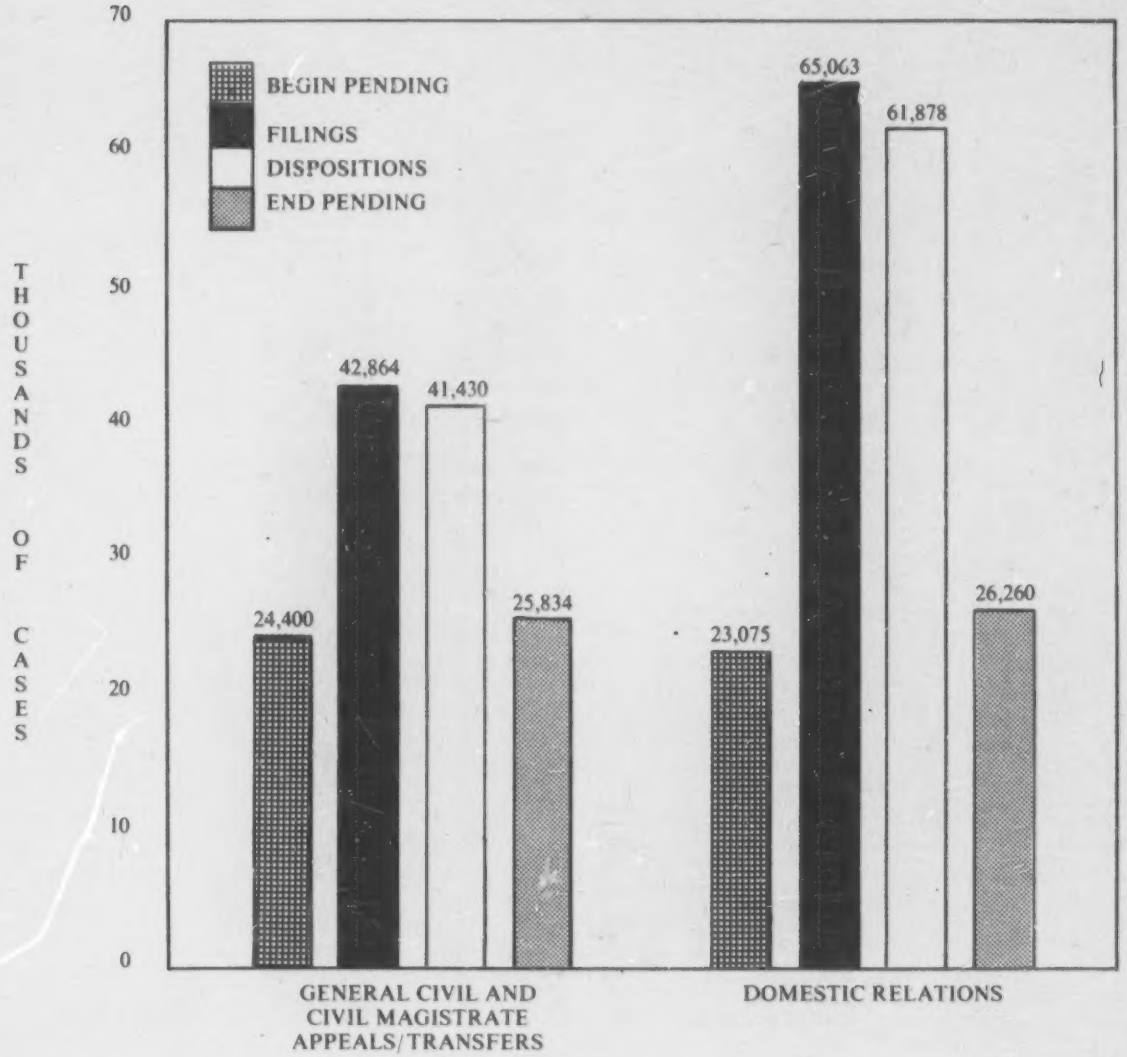
1975 — 1984-85



Filings and dispositions of civil cases in the district courts increased for the first time since 1980-81, largely due to growth in the number of civil magistrate cases appealed or transferred.

CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

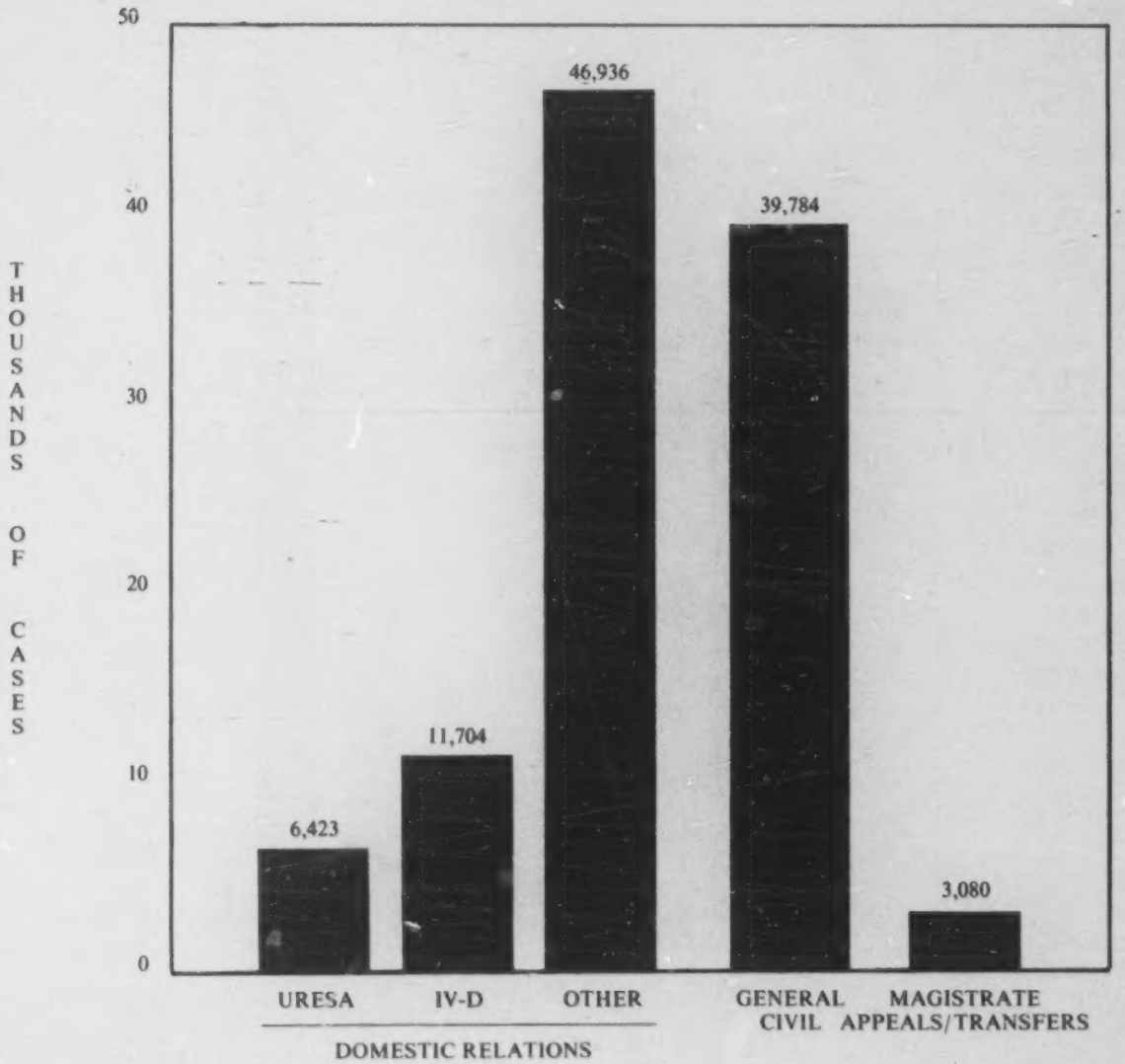
July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985



Filings exceeded dispositions in both general civil and domestic relations cases in the district courts, resulting in increases of pending caseloads in both categories.

FILINGS OF CIVIL (NON—MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985



	URESA	IV-D	OTHER	GENERAL CIVIL	MAGISTRATE APPEALS/TRANSFERS
% of Filings	6.0	10.8	43.5	36.9	2.8

"URESA" stands for the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, and refers to actions enforcing inter-state child support order. "IV-D" refers to actions to collect child support for social services clients. The category "Other" includes civil actions such as annulment, divorce, equitable distribution of property, alimony, child support, and child custody.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1984 – June 30, 1985

	Domestic Relations Cases						General Civil and Magistrate Appeals/Transfers					
	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 1												
Camden	16	26	42	36	85.7	6	4	11	15	5	33.3	10
Chowan	34	152	186	134	72.0	52	74	50	124	71	57.3	53
Currituck	31	103	134	82	61.2	52	24	57	81	43	53.1	38
Dare	56	156	212	150	70.8	62	79	151	230	115	50.0	115
Gates	21	67	88	55	62.5	33	16	24	40	27	67.5	13
Pasquotank	115	305	420	306	72.9	114	89	143	232	133	57.3	99
Perquimans	35	86	121	68	56.2	53	20	47	67	24	35.8	43
District Totals	308	895	1,203	831	69.1	372	306	483	789	418	53.0	371
District 2												
Beaufort	158	328	486	354	72.8	132	125	150	275	145	52.7	130
Hyde	30	45	75	50	66.7	25	21	16	37	16	43.2	21
Martin	110	314	424	320	75.5	104	67	74	141	73	51.8	68
Tyrrell	7	25	32	22	68.8	10	8	8	16	10	62.5	6
Washington	24	205	229	195	85.2	34	38	58	96	56	58.3	40
District Totals	329	917	1,246	941	75.7	305	259	306	565	300	53.1	265
District 3												
Carteret	371	564	935	456	48.8	479	121	315	436	314	72.0	122
Craven	549	986	1,535	839	54.7	696	310	798	1,108	771	69.6	337
Pamlico	70	103	173	109	63.0	64	24	30	54	39	72.2	15
Pitt	408	744	1,152	629	54.6	523	176	546	722	493	68.3	229
District Totals	1,398	2,397	3,795	2,033	53.6	1,762	631	1,689	2,320	1,617	69.7	703
District 4												
Duplin	102	320	422	298	70.6	124	104	167	271	164	60.5	107
Jones	56	77	133	85	63.9	48	22	18	40	18	45.0	22
Onslow	906	1,514	2,420	1,270	52.5	1,150	388	578	966	373	38.6	593
Sampson	139	516	655	489	74.7	166	102	185	287	194	67.6	93
District Totals	1,203	2,427	3,630	2,142	59.0	1,488	616	948	1,564	749	47.9	815
District 5												
New Hanover	682	1,327	2,009	1,264	62.9	745	1,456	1,804	3,260	2,130	65.3	1,130
Pender	115	276	391	260	66.5	131	125	125	250	139	55.6	111
District Totals	797	1,603	2,400	1,524	63.5	876	1,581	1,929	3,510	2,269	64.6	1,241
District 6												
Bertie	66	298	364	305	83.8	59	26	59	85	59	69.4	26
Halifax	237	659	896	714	79.7	182	76	200	276	174	63.0	102
Hertford	94	292	386	319	82.6	67	81	170	251	171	68.1	80
Northampton	53	243	296	243	82.1	53	20	35	55	36	65.5	19
District Totals	450	1,492	1,942	1,581	81.4	361	203	464	667	440	66.0	227
District 7												
Edgecombe	379	626	1,005	782	77.8	223	329	250	579	421	72.7	158
Nash	320	695	1,015	809	79.7	206	358	434	792	524	66.2	268
Wilson	360	889	1,249	916	73.3	333	428	365	793	524	66.1	269
District Totals	1,059	2,210	3,269	2,507	76.7	762	1,115	1,049	2,164	1,469	67.9	695
District 8												
Greene	21	140	161	114	70.8	47	4	28	32	19	59.4	13
Lenoir	266	806	1,072	785	73.2	287	189	511	700	458	65.4	242
Wayne	364	1,307	1,671	1,260	75.4	411	414	731	1,145	765	66.8	380
District Totals	651	2,253	2,904	2,159	74.3	745	607	1,270	1,877	1,242	66.2	635

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District 9												
Franklin	51	285	336	246	73.2	90	99	66	165	104	63.0	61
Granville	92	274	366	252	68.9	114	79	140	219	141	64.4	78
Person	74	251	325	272	83.7	53	91	122	213	149	70.0	64
Vance	129	536	665	535	80.5	130	84	167	251	135	53.8	116
Warren	48	204	252	164	65.1	88	35	42	77	48	62.3	29
District Totals	394	1,550	1,944	1,469	75.6	475	388	537	925	577	62.4	348
District 10												
Wake	1,545	3,720	5,265	3,386	64.3	1,879	1,867	3,731	5,598	3,698	66.1	1,900
District 11												
Harnett	127	632	759	582	76.7	177	171	389	560	380	67.9	180
Johnston	201	868	1,069	819	76.6	250	325	606	931	694	74.5	237
Lee	108	408	516	385	74.6	131	311	457	768	566	73.7	202
District Totals	436	1,908	2,344	1,786	76.2	558	807	1,452	2,259	1,640	72.6	619
District 12												
Cumberland	2,069	3,956	6,025	3,736	62.0	2,289	885	1,045	1,930	1,096	56.8	834
Hoke	50	153	203	141	69.5	62	41	89	130	81	62.3	49
District Totals	2,119	4,109	6,228	3,877	62.3	2,351	926	1,134	2,060	1,177	57.1	883
District 13												
Bladen	50	197	247	210	85.0	37	90	346	436	284	65.1	152
Brunswick	122	400	522	337	64.6	185	304	558	862	406	47.1	456
Columbus	197	644	841	611	72.7	230	236	418	654	320	48.9	334
District Totals	369	1,241	1,610	1,158	71.9	452	630	1,322	1,952	1,010	51.7	942
District 14												
Durham	847	1,703	2,550	1,551	60.8	999	1,005	1,301	2,306	1,104	47.9	1,202
District 15A												
Alamance	207	1,090	1,297	1,079	83.2	218	187	661	848	575	67.8	273
District 15B												
Chatham	117	262	379	254	67.0	125	101	100	201	124	61.7	77
Orange	216	529	745	541	72.6	204	329	490	819	547	66.8	272
District Totals	333	791	1,124	795	70.7	329	430	590	1,020	671	65.8	349
District 16												
Robeson	276	1,128	1,404	1,139	81.1	265	615	848	1,463	998	68.2	465
Scotland	96	366	462	365	79.0	97	70	171	241	158	65.6	83
District Totals	372	1,494	1,866	1,504	80.6	362	685	1,019	1,704	1,156	67.8	548
District 17A												
Caswell	67	176	243	174	71.6	69	27	57	84	46	54.8	38
Rockingham	217	896	1,113	862	77.4	251	144	369	513	340	66.3	173
District Totals	284	1,072	1,356	1,036	76.4	320	171	426	597	386	64.7	211
District 17B												
Stokes	52	172	224	166	74.1	58	57	78	135	78	57.8	57
Surry	137	502	639	486	76.1	153	173	373	546	382	70.0	164
District Totals	189	674	863	652	75.6	211	230	451	681	460	67.5	221

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District 18												
Guilford	1,139	3,771	4,910	3,282	66.8	1,628	1,713	3,993	5,706	3,347	58.7	2,359
District 19A												
Cabarrus	361	1,025	1,386	1,025	74.0	361	365	388	753	458	60.8	295
Rowan	228	931	1,159	857	73.9	302	276	435	711	336	47.3	375
District Totals	589	1,956	2,545	1,882	73.9	663	641	823	1,464	794	54.2	670
District 19B												
Montgomery	16	182	198	132	66.7	66	111	152	263	158	60.1	105
Randolph	191	669	860	677	78.7	183	111	273	384	271	70.6	113
District Totals	207	851	1,058	809	76.5	249	222	425	647	429	66.3	218
District 20												
Anson	73	240	313	240	76.7	73	61	89	150	80	53.3	70
Moore	201	476	677	424	62.6	253	295	341	636	234	36.8	402
Richmond	267	494	761	490	64.4	271	212	243	455	174	38.2	281
Stanly	143	378	521	351	67.4	170	255	300	555	306	55.1	249
Union	231	606	837	583	69.7	254	295	379	674	365	54.2	309
District Totals	915	2,194	3,109	2,088	67.2	1,021	1,118	1,352	2,470	1,159	46.9	1,311
District 21												
Forsyth	839	3,000	3,839	2,791	72.7	1,048	1,324	2,374	3,698	2,316	62.6	1,382
District 22												
Alexander	63	204	267	209	78.3	58	16	60	76	52	68.4	24
Davidson	196	971	1,167	844	72.3	323	155	415	570	359	63.0	211
Davie	108	168	276	206	74.6	70	99	125	224	145	64.7	79
Iredell	174	686	860	635	73.8	225	274	519	793	540	68.1	253
District Totals	541	2,029	2,570	1,894	73.7	676	544	1,119	1,663	1,096	65.9	567
District 23												
Alleghany	19	66	85	67	78.8	18	24	86	110	63	57.3	47
Ashe	24	171	195	156	80.0	39	38	60	98	60	61.2	38
Wilkes	99	486	585	477	81.5	108	221	576	797	574	72.0	223
Yadkin	49	220	269	214	79.6	55	68	111	179	113	63.1	66
District Totals	191	943	1,134	914	80.6	220	351	833	1,184	810	68.4	374
District 24												
Avery	58	141	199	131	65.8	68	66	157	223	128	57.4	95
Madison	46	29	75	51	68.0	24	31	95	126	89	70.6	37
Mitchell	26	92	118	76	64.4	42	23	69	92	50	54.3	42
Watauga	99	267	366	249	68.0	117	122	262	384	240	62.5	144
Yancey	30	116	146	117	80.1	29	25	16	41	25	61.0	16
District Totals	259	645	904	624	69.0	280	267	599	866	532	61.4	334
District 25												
Burke	208	634	842	584	69.4	258	162	318	480	286	61.7	184
Caldwell	300	672	972	659	67.8	313	213	361	574	403	70.2	171
Catawba	429	1,194	1,623	1,200	73.9	423	450	756	1,206	816	67.7	390
District Totals	937	2,500	3,437	2,443	71.1	994	825	1,435	2,260	1,515	67.0	745
District 26												
Mecklenburg	1,109	5,443	6,552	5,103	77.9	1,449	2,850	5,684	8,534	5,259	61.6	3,275

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District 27A												
Gaston	638	2,310	2,948	2,082	70.6	866	341	613	954	605	63.4	349
District 27B												
Cleveland	327	824	1,151	922	80.1	229	130	252	382	260	68.1	122
Lincoln	75	362	437	364	83.3	73	41	152	193	131	67.9	62
District Totals	402	1,186	1,588	1,286	81.0	302	171	404	575	391	68.0	184
District 28												
Buncombe	543	1,974	2,517	1,838	73.0	679	449	1,202	1,651	1,028	62.3	623
District 29												
Henderson	464	558	1,022	736	72.0	286	270	272	542	292	53.9	250
McDowell	102	282	384	294	76.6	90	63	110	173	90	52.0	83
Polk	23	83	106	86	81.1	20	19	53	72	46	63.9	26
Rutherford	171	471	642	428	66.7	214	111	139	250	141	56.4	109
Transylvania	109	230	339	206	60.8	133	91	154	245	110	44.9	135
District Totals	869	1,624	2,493	1,750	70.2	743	554	728	1,282	679	53.0	603
District 30												
Cherokee	73	160	233	169	72.5	64	10	69	79	51	64.6	28
Clay	25	21	46	33	71.7	13	3	36	39	23	59.0	16
Graham	21	57	78	54	69.2	24	11	20	31	21	67.7	10
Haywood	236	400	636	365	57.4	271	181	156	337	200	59.3	137
Jackson	75	175	250	176	70.4	74	48	88	136	74	54.4	62
Macon	85	180	265	164	61.9	101	84	119	203	107	52.7	96
Swain	92	98	190	120	63.2	70	49	30	79	36	45.6	43
District Totals	607	1,091	1,698	1,081	63.7	617	386	518	904	512	56.6	392
State Totals	23,075	65,063	88,138	61,878	70.2	26,260	24,400	42,864	67,264	41,430	61.6	25,834

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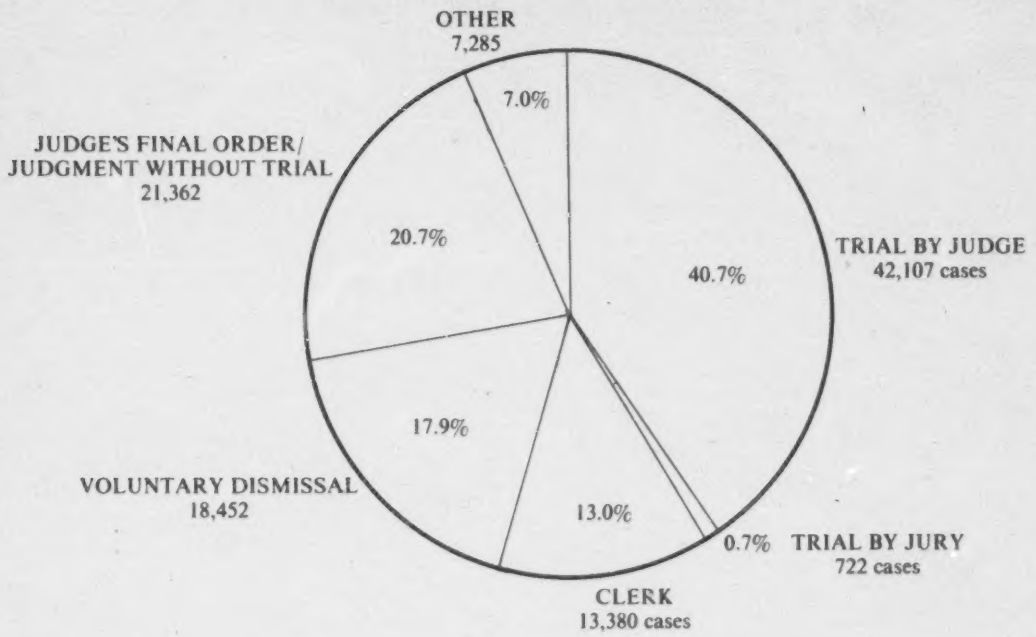

Most civil cases in the district courts are disposed of by judges, either before trial or with a bench trial. Only 722 jury trials were held in district courts for civil cases during the 1984-85 year.

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District 1								
Camden	Dom	0	6	3	18	0	9	36
	Gen	0	1	4	0	0	0	5
Chowan	Dom	0	9	14	108	0	3	134
	Gen	0	8	33	10	15	5	71
Currituck	Dom	0	49	12	11	0	10	82
	Gen	0	6	19	5	9	4	43
Dare	Dom	0	33	27	61	0	29	150
	Gen	0	11	51	18	30	5	115
Gates	Dom	2	18	3	2	0	30	55
	Gen	1	5	10	0	10	1	27
Pasquotank	Dom	0	167	27	108	0	4	306
	Gen	1	12	55	7	52	6	133
Perquimans	Dom	0	33	6	27	0	2	68
	Gen	1	1	4	1	11	6	24
Dist Totals	Dom	2	315	92	335	0	87	831
% of Total		0.2%	37.9%	11.1%	40.3%	0.0%	10.5%	100.0%
	Gen	3	44	176	41	127	27	418
% of Total		0.7%	10.5%	42.1%	9.8%	30.4%	6.5%	100.0%
District 2								
Beaufort	Dom	0	262	20	49	1	22	354
	Gen	4	26	49	16	44	6	145
Hyde	Dom	0	0	5	38	0	7	50
	Gen	1	0	3	4	6	2	16
Martin	Dom	3	28	10	244	4	31	320
	Gen	0	1	9	20	24	19	73
Tyrrell	Dom	0	2	1	14	1	4	22
	Gen	0	1	5	3	1	0	10
Washington	Dom	0	54	10	128	0	3	195
	Gen	2	10	19	13	9	3	56
Dist Totals	Dom	3	346	46	473	6	67	941
% of Total		0.3%	36.8%	4.9%	50.3%	0.6%	7.1%	100.0%
	Gen	7	38	85	56	84	30	300
% of Total		2.3%	12.7%	28.3%	18.7%	28.0%	10.0%	100.0%
District 3								
Carteret	Dom	0	364	53	34	2	3	456
	Gen	5	54	104	17	104	30	314
Craven	Dom	1	522	61	214	4	37	839
	Gen	13	34	248	55	324	97	771
Pamlico	Dom	0	39	5	58	1	6	109
	Gen	0	8	14	3	5	9	39
Pitt	Dom	0	499	32	83	3	12	629
	Gen	0	65	179	154	95	0	493
Dist Totals	Dom	1	1,424	151	389	10	58	2,033
% of Total		.0%	70.0%	7.4%	19.1%	0.5%	2.9%	100.0%
	Gen	18	161	545	229	528	136	1,617
% of Total		1.1%	10.0%	33.7%	14.2%	32.7%	8.4%	100.0%
District 4								
Duplin	Dom	0	45	17	224	1	11	298
	Gen	5	14	49	44	41	11	164
Jones	Dom	0	3	10	68	1	3	85
	Gen	0	3	4	1	8	2	18
Onslow	Dom	0	919	82	178	4	87	1,270
	Gen	3	88	127	16	104	35	373
Sampson	Dom	1	277	54	135	3	19	489
	Gen	3	29	92	13	52	5	194
Dist Totals	Dom	1	1,244	163	605	9	120	2,142
% of Total		.0%	58.1%	7.6%	28.2%	0.4%	5.6%	100.0%
	Gen	11	134	272	74	205	53	749
% of Total		1.5%	17.9%	36.3%	9.9%	27.4%	7.1%	100.0%

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District 5								
New Hanover	Dom	2	804	92	275	5	86	1,264
	Gen	23	142	672	180	604	509	2,130
Pender	Dom	9	93	29	118	0	11	260
	Gen	4	15	63	21	36	0	139
Dist Totals	Dom	11	897	121	393	5	97	1,524
% of Total		0.7%	58.9%	7.9%	25.8%	0.3%	6.4%	100.0%
	Gen	27	157	735	201	640	509	2,269
% of Total		1.2%	6.9%	32.4%	8.9%	28.2%	22.4%	100.0%
District 6								
Bertie	Dom	2	83	29	170	15	6	305
	Gen	2	8	12	13	21	3	59
Halifax	Dom	0	225	21	401	3	64	714
	Gen	0	34	38	34	52	16	174
Hertford	Dom	0	137	23	108	5	46	319
	Gen	2	22	51	4	83	9	171
Northampton	Dom	1	216	5	7	0	14	243
	Gen	0	9	9	5	13	0	36
Dist Totals	Dom	3	661	78	686	23	130	1,581
% of Total		0.2%	41.8%	4.9%	43.4%	1.5%	8.2%	100.0%
	Gen	4	73	110	56	169	28	440
% of Total		0.9%	16.6%	25.0%	12.7%	38.4%	6.4%	100.0%
District 7								
Edgecombe	Dom	0	251	71	250	1	209	782
	Gen	3	22	136	33	89	138	421
Nash	Dom	5	436	38	167	8	155	809
	Gen	6	32	130	32	153	171	524
Wilson	Dom	1	456	65	287	5	102	916
	Gen	3	57	98	30	167	169	524
Dist Totals	Dom	6	1,143	174	704	14	466	2,507
% of Total		0.2%	45.6%	6.9%	28.1%	0.6%	18.6%	100.0%
	Gen	12	111	364	95	409	478	1,469
% of Total		0.8%	7.6%	24.8%	6.5%	27.8%	32.5%	100.0%
District 8								
Greene	Dom	0	10	8	85	0	11	114
	Gen	0	2	1	12	2	2	19
Lenoir	Dom	1	509	71	193	9	2	785
	Gen	5	84	127	34	203	5	458
Wayne	Dom	8	728	174	269	25	56	1,260
	Gen	8	82	313	87	206	69	765
Dist Totals	Dom	9	1,247	253	547	34	69	2,159
% of Total		0.4%	57.8%	11.7%	25.3%	1.6%	3.2%	100.0%
	Gen	13	168	441	133	411	76	1,242
% of Total		1.0%	13.5%	35.5%	10.7%	33.1%	6.1%	100.0%
District 9								
Franklin	Dom	0	1	25	216	3	1	246
	Gen	0	0	46	41	17	0	104
Granville	Dom	2	102	28	41	56	23	252
	Gen	6	26	41	15	44	9	141
Person	Dom	5	231	19	4	3	10	272
	Gen	2	42	39	1	49	16	149
Vance	Dom	0	282	34	189	2	28	535
	Gen	2	34	46	8	32	13	135
Warren	Dom	0	60	21	80	1	2	164
	Gen	2	15	17	6	4	4	48
Dist Totals	Dom	7	676	127	530	65	64	1,469
% of Total		0.5%	46.0%	8.6%	36.1%	4.4%	4.4%	100.0%
	Gen	12	117	189	71	146	42	577
% of Total		2.1%	20.3%	32.8%	12.3%	25.3%	7.3%	100.0%

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District 10								
Wake	Dom	4	1,752	156	970	5	499	3,386
% of Total		0.1%	51.7%	4.6%	28.6%	0.1%	14.8%	100.0%
	Gen	19	91	1,125	643	1,367	453	3,698
% of Total		0.5%	2.5%	30.4%	17.4%	37.0%	12.2%	100.0%
District 11								
Harnett	Dom	4	348	58	149	9	14	582
	Gen	9	59	170	58	82	2	380
Johnston	Dom	6	330	92	350	18	23	819
	Gen	4	65	258	142	218	7	694
Lee	Dom	0	227	37	73	3	45	385
	Gen	12	69	193	56	231	5	566
Dist Totals	Dom	10	905	187	572	30	82	1,786
% of Total		0.6%	50.7%	10.5%	32.0%	1.7%	4.6%	100.0%
	Gen	25	193	621	256	531	14	1,640
% of Total		1.5%	11.8%	37.9%	15.6%	32.4%	0.9%	100.0%
District 12								
Cumberland	Dom	1	2,640	395	404	24	272	3,736
	Gen	9	302	341	27	334	83	1,096
Hoke	Dom	5	91	18	12	3	12	141
	Gen	2	15	20	2	40	2	81
Dist Totals	Dom	6	2,731	413	416	27	284	3,877
% of Total		0.2%	70.4%	10.7%	10.7%	0.7%	7.3%	100.0%
	Gen	11	317	361	29	374	85	1,177
% of Total		0.9%	26.9%	30.7%	2.5%	31.8%	7.2%	100.0%
District 13								
Bladen	Dom	0	94	14	96	1	5	210
	Gen	2	46	55	29	145	7	284
Brunswick	Dom	0	196	28	109	2	2	337
	Gen	7	41	251	26	80	1	406
Columbus	Dom	0	374	66	145	1	25	611
	Gen	15	57	101	26	116	5	320
Dist Totals	Dom	0	664	108	350	4	32	1,158
% of Total		0.0%	57.3%	9.3%	30.2%	0.3%	2.8%	100.0%
	Gen	24	144	407	81	341	13	1,010
% of Total		2.4%	14.3%	40.3%	8.0%	33.8%	1.3%	100.0%
District 14								
Durham	Dom	1	1,049	94	311	6	90	1,551
% of Total		0.1%	67.6%	6.1%	20.1%	0.4%	5.8%	100.0%
	Gen	5	120	334	30	557	58	1,104
% of Total		0.5%	10.9%	30.3%	2.7%	50.5%	5.3%	100.0%
District 15A								
Alamance	Dom	1	731	91	251	3	2	1,079
% of Total		0.1%	67.7%	8.4%	23.3%	0.3%	0.2%	100.0%
	Gen	4	68	212	65	226	0	575
% of Total		0.7%	11.8%	36.9%	11.3%	39.3%	0.0%	100.0%
District 15B								
Chatham	Dom	0	134	18	71	1	30	254
	Gen	3	12	46	8	30	25	124
Orange	Dom	1	302	31	16	64	127	541
	Gen	3	84	158	8	129	165	547
Dist Totals	Dom	1	436	49	87	65	157	795
% of Total		0.1%	54.8%	6.2%	10.9%	8.2%	19.7%	100.0%
	Gen	6	96	204	16	159	190	671
% of Total		0.9%	14.3%	30.4%	2.4%	23.7%	28.3%	100.0%

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District 16								
Robeson	Dom	3	569	112	396	7	52	1,139
	Gen	9	156	306	58	409	60	998
Scotland	Dom	1	184	16	121	3	40	365
	Gen	1	11	36	36	65	9	158
Dist Totals	Dom	4	753	128	517	10	92	1,504
% of Total		0.3%	50.1%	8.5%	34.4%	0.7%	6.1%	100.0%
	Gen	10	167	342	94	474	69	1,156
% of Total		0.9%	14.4%	29.6%	8.1%	41.0%	6.0%	100.0%
District 17A								
Caswell	Dom	0	46	9	96	1	22	174
	Gen	1	6	15	10	5	9	46
Rockingham	Dom	0	494	62	242	6	58	862
	Gen	5	44	91	15	175	10	340
Dist Totals	Dom	0	540	71	338	7	80	1,036
% of Total		0.0%	52.1%	6.9%	32.6%	0.7%	7.7%	100.0%
	Gen	6	50	106	25	180	19	386
% of Total		1.6%	13.0%	27.5%	6.5%	46.6%	4.9%	100.0%
District 17B								
Stokes	Dom	6	102	19	30	0	9	166
	Gen	1	14	23	7	26	7	78
Surry	Dom	0	253	52	162	1	18	486
	Gen	4	35	122	15	180	26	382
Dist Totals	Dom	6	355	71	192	1	27	652
% of Total		0.9%	54.4%	10.9%	29.4%	0.2%	4.1%	100.0%
	Gen	5	49	145	22	206	33	460
% of Total		1.1%	10.7%	31.5%	4.8%	44.8%	7.2%	100.0%
District 18								
Guilford	Dom	4	2,747	195	230	24	82	3,282
% of Total		0.1%	83.7%	5.9%	7.0%	0.7%	2.5%	100.0%
	Gen	32	318	965	448	1,529	55	3,347
% of Total		1.0%	9.5%	28.8%	13.4%	45.7%	1.6%	100.0%
District 19A								
Cabarrus	Dom	0	680	93	201	9	42	1,025
	Gen	11	85	160	41	150	11	458
Rowan	Dom	1	631	77	65	13	70	857
	Gen	6	59	106	4	147	14	336
Dist Totals	Dom	1	1,311	170	266	22	112	1,882
% of Total		0.1%	69.7%	9.0%	14.1%	1.2%	6.0%	100.0%
	Gen	17	144	266	45	297	25	794
% of Total		2.1%	18.1%	33.5%	5.7%	37.4%	3.1%	100.0%
District 19B								
Montgomery	Dom	1	114	5	11	1	0	132
	Gen	0	73	54	10	19	2	158
Randolph	Dom	0	347	65	170	3	92	677
	Gen	4	32	80	12	123	20	271
Dist Totals	Dom	1	461	70	181	4	92	809
% of Total		0.1%	57.0%	8.7%	22.4%	0.5%	11.4%	100.0%
	Gen	4	105	134	22	142	22	429
% of Total		0.9%	24.5%	31.2%	5.1%	33.1%	5.1%	100.0%

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District 20								
Anson	Dom	1	116	15	89	14	5	240
	Gen	2	8	31	15	24	0	80
Munro	Dom	2	326	20	67	4	6	424
	Gen	9	74	69	22	55	5	234
Richmond	Dom	1	344	33	77	25	10	490
	Gen	1	33	58	10	54	18	174
Stanly	Dom	1	209	10	49	0	82	351
	Gen	1	15	89	193	0	8	306
Union	Dom	8	362	69	132	7	5	583
	Gen	19	51	141	34	107	13	365
Dist Totals	Dom	13	1,357	147	414	47	110	2,088
% of Total		0.6%	65.0%	7.0%	19.8%	2.3%	5.3%	100.0%
	Gen	32	181	388	274	240	44	1,159
% of Total		2.8%	15.6%	33.5%	23.6%	20.7%	3.8%	100.0%
District 21								
Forsyth	Dom	5	1,888	231	606	20	41	2,791
% of Total		0.2%	67.6%	8.3%	21.7%	0.7%	1.5%	100.0%
	Gen	17	117	879	296	991	16	2,316
% of Total		0.7%	5.1%	38.0%	12.8%	42.8%	0.7%	100.0%
District 22								
Alexander	Dom	2	99	18	78	3	9	209
	Gen	2	3	20	8	17	2	52
Davidson	Dom	3	485	75	200	6	75	844
	Gen	9	67	120	41	107	15	359
Davie	Dom	2	110	41	36	4	13	206
	Gen	8	30	53	16	30	8	145
Iredell	Dom	2	391	64	147	7	24	635
	Gen	11	93	172	28	214	22	540
Dist Totals	Dom	9	1,085	198	461	20	121	1,894
% of Total		0.5%	57.3%	10.5%	24.3%	1.1%	6.4%	100.0%
	Gen	30	193	365	93	368	47	1,096
% of Total		2.7%	17.6%	33.3%	8.5%	33.6%	4.3%	100.0%
District 23								
Alleghany	Dom	0	44	8	6	0	9	67
	Gen	2	19	16	4	15	7	63
Ashe	Dom	1	108	16	27	4	0	156
	Gen	1	12	19	10	17	1	60
Wilkes	Dom	0	331	47	86	9	4	477
	Gen	16	53	155	132	207	11	574
Yadkin	Dom	0	115	19	66	2	12	214
	Gen	5	19	32	21	33	3	113
Dist Totals	Dom	1	598	90	185	15	25	914
% of Total		0.1%	65.4%	9.8%	20.2%	1.6%	2.7%	100.0%
	Gen	24	103	222	167	272	22	810
% of Total		3.0%	12.7%	27.4%	20.6%	33.6%	2.7%	100.0%
District 24								
Avery	Dom	0	84	12	9	1	25	131
	Gen	0	20	46	29	30	3	128
Madison	Dom	0	2	5	31	2	11	51
	Gen	1	0	16	60	3	9	89
Mitchell	Dom	0	7	11	54	0	4	76
	Gen	2	1	18	27	2	0	50
Watauga	Dom	1	137	27	52	2	30	249
	Gen	1	24	129	20	57	9	240
Yancey	Dom	2	62	16	21	0	16	117
	Gen	4	6	4	4	1	6	25
Dist Totals	Dom	3	292	71	167	5	86	624
% of Total		0.5%	46.8%	11.4%	26.8%	0.8%	13.8%	100.0%
	Gen	8	51	213	140	93	27	532
% of Total		1.5%	9.6%	40.0%	26.3%	17.5%	5.1%	100.0%

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District 25								
Burke	Dom	6	365	78	114	4	17	584
	Gen	3	50	137	12	91	3	296
Caldwell	Dom	3	309	37	269	3	38	659
	Gen	10	46	99	68	94	86	403
Catawba	Dom	5	757	113	308	4	13	1,200
	Gen	10	94	239	89	355	29	816
Dist Totals	Dom	14	1,431	228	691	11	68	2,443
% of Total		0.6%	58.6%	9.3%	28.3%	0.5%	2.8%	100.0%
	Gen	23	190	475	169	540	118	1,515
% of Total		1.5%	12.5%	31.4%	11.2%	35.6%	7.8%	100.0%
District 26								
Mecklenburg	Dom	18	3,838	229	687	5	326	5,103
% of Total		0.4%	75.2%	4.5%	13.5%	0.1%	6.4%	100.0%
	Gen	42	748	1,758	2,129	336	246	5,259
% of Total		0.8%	14.2%	33.4%	40.5%	6.4%	4.7%	100.0%
District 27A								
Gaston	Dom	2	1,380	109	459	2	130	2,082
% of Total		0.1%	66.3%	5.2%	22.0%	0.1%	6.2%	100.0%
	Gen	24	71	208	69	177	56	605
% of Total		4.0%	11.7%	34.4%	11.4%	29.3%	9.3%	100.0%
District 27B								
Cleveland	Dom	10	506	139	223	8	36	922
	Gen	5	53	92	28	65	17	260
Lincoln	Dom	7	221	46	76	5	9	364
	Gen	3	19	47	18	35	9	131
Dist Totals	Dom	17	727	185	299	13	45	1,286
% of Total		1.3%	56.5%	14.4%	23.2%	1.0%	3.5%	100.0%
	Gen	8	72	139	46	100	26	391
% of Total		2.0%	18.4%	35.5%	11.8%	25.6%	6.6%	100.0%
District 28								
Buncombe	Dom	4	985	142	557	44	106	1,838
% of Total		0.2%	53.6%	7.7%	30.3%	2.4%	5.8%	100.0%
	Gen	25	137	311	174	333	48	1,028
% of Total		2.4%	13.3%	30.3%	16.9%	32.4%	4.7%	100.0%
District 29								
Henderson	Dom	7	320	89	192	0	128	736
	Gen	4	36	103	72	30	47	292
McDowell	Dom	0	2	23	244	4	21	294
	Gen	1	2	27	19	28	13	90
Polk	Dom	0	3	10	59	1	13	86
	Gen	0	1	14	14	12	5	46
Rutherford	Dom	0	294	32	77	4	21	428
	Gen	9	34	35	26	36	1	141
Transylvania	Dom	1	119	16	60	1	9	206
	Gen	1	27	43	17	16	6	110
Dist Totals	Dom	8	738	170	632	10	192	1,750
% of Total		0.5%	42.2%	9.7%	36.1%	0.6%	11.0%	100.0%
	Gen	15	100	222	148	122	72	679
% of Total		2.2%	14.7%	32.7%	21.8%	18.0%	10.6%	100.0%

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District 30								
Cherokee	Dom	1	98	16	33	11	10	169
	Gen	1	7	14	13	11	5	51
Clay	Dom	1	7	11	9	1	4	33
	Gen	2	8	5	3	2	3	23
Graham	Dom	1	3	16	32	0	2	54
	Gen	0	0	10	8	0	3	21
Haywood	Dom	3	260	33	50	9	10	365
	Gen	1	38	77	23	50	11	200
Jackson	Dom	5	22	20	115	4	10	176
	Gen	0	6	26	22	14	6	74
Macon	Dom	1	86	13	42	1	21	164
	Gen	1	9	29	19	33	16	107
Swain	Dom	2	25	39	49	0	5	120
	Gen	4	3	16	6	4	3	36
Dist Totals	Dom	14	501	148	330	26	62	1,081
% of Total		1.3%	46.3%	13.7%	30.5%	2.4%	5.7%	100.0%
	Gen	9	71	177	94	114	47	512
% of Total		1.8%	13.9%	34.6%	18.4%	22.3%	9.2%	100.0%
State Totals	Dom	190	37,208	4,956	14,831	592	4,101	61,878
% of Total		0.3%	60.1%	8.0%	24.0%	1.0%	6.6%	100.0%
	Gen	532	4,899	13,496	6,531	12,788	3,184	41,430
% of Total		1.3%	11.8%	32.6%	15.8%	30.9%	7.7%	100.0%

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	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 1									
Camden	5	83.3%	0	0.0%	1	16.7%	6	165.2	40.0
Chowan	38	73.1%	3	5.8%	11	21.2%	52	224.6	108.0
Currituck	33	63.5%	13	25.0%	6	11.5%	52	175.0	127.5
Dare	38	61.3%	14	22.6%	10	16.1%	62	187.7	133.5
Gates	13	39.4%	10	30.3%	10	30.3%	33	338.5	240.0
Pasquotank	71	62.3%	22	19.3%	21	18.4%	114	204.5	111.0
Perquimans	23	43.4%	11	20.8%	19	35.8%	53	316.3	198.0
District Totals	221	59.4%	73	19.6%	78	21.0%	372	227.6	129.0
District 2									
Beaufort	48	36.4%	27	20.5%	57	43.2%	132	380.8	294.5
Hyde	16	64.0%	2	8.0%	7	28.0%	25	291.8	103.0
Martin	42	40.4%	11	10.6%	51	49.0%	104	812.0	326.5
Tyrrell	5	50.0%	1	10.0%	4	40.0%	10	537.4	168.5
Washington	21	61.8%	5	14.7%	8	23.5%	34	224.6	.97.0
District Totals	132	43.3%	46	15.1%	127	41.6%	305	508.3	261.0
District 3									
Carteret	167	34.9%	54	11.3%	258	53.9%	479	553.8	412.0
Craven	272	39.1%	96	13.8%	328	47.1%	696	499.0	322.0
Pamlico	10	15.6%	12	18.8%	42	65.6%	64	567.7	437.5
Pitt	180	34.4%	67	12.8%	276	52.8%	523	539.4	430.0
District Totals	629	35.7%	229	13.0%	904	51.3%	1,762	528.4	389.0
District 4									
Duplin	73	58.9%	16	12.9%	35	28.2%	124	381.1	137.0
Jones	12	25.0%	10	20.8%	26	54.2%	48	739.2	480.5
Onslow	419	36.4%	169	14.7%	562	48.9%	1,150	573.5	352.0
Sampson	101	60.8%	31	18.7%	34	20.5%	166	209.0	112.5
District Totals	605	40.7%	226	15.2%	657	44.2%	1,488	522.1	285.5
District 5									
New Hanover	308	41.3%	120	16.1%	317	42.6%	745	39[illegible].0	269.0
Pender	78	59.5%	27	20.6%	26	19.8%	131	231.7	139.0
District Totals	386	44.1%	147	16.8%	343	39.2%	876	367.2	247.0
District 6									
Bertie	41	69.5%	14	23.7%	4	6.8%	59	160.5	115.0
Halifax	133	73.1%	32	17.6%	17	9.3%	182	144.4	97.5
Hertford	45	67.2%	19	28.4%	3	4.5%	67	155.6	142.0
Northampton	39	73.6%	8	15.1%	6	11.3%	53	137.1	89.0
District Totals	258	71.5%	73	20.2%	30	8.3%	361	148.0	104.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	149	66.8%	41	18.4%	33	14.8%	223	242.7	102.0
Nash	153	74.3%	37	18.0%	16	7.8%	206	156.0	66.5
Wilson	164	49.2%	64	19.2%	105	31.5%	333	403.0	199.0
District Totals	466	61.2%	142	18.6%	154	20.2%	762	289.3	109.5
District 8									
Greene	31	66.0%	7	14.9%	9	19.1%	47	178.5	107.0
Lenoir	198	69.0%	61	21.3%	28	9.8%	287	156.4	94.0
Wayne	310	75.4%	74	18.0%	27	6.6%	411	125.6	82.0
District Totals	539	72.3%	142	19.1%	64	8.6%	745	140.8	89.0

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	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 9									
Franklin	50	55.6%	26	28.9%	14	15.6%	90	235.2	144.0
Granville	67	58.8%	28	24.6%	19	16.7%	114	191.0	133.0
Person	37	69.8%	10	18.9%	6	11.3%	53	158.3	94.0
Vance	81	62.3%	33	25.4%	16	12.3%	130	180.6	100.5
Warren	58	65.9%	23	26.1%	7	8.0%	88	164.8	123.0
District Totals	293	61.7%	120	25.3%	62	13.1%	475	188.0	118.0
District 10									
Wake	886	47.2%	403	21.4%	590	31.4%	1,879	360.1	209.0
District 11									
Harnett	126	71.2%	40	22.6%	11	6.2%	177	130.7	76.0
Johnston	189	75.6%	47	18.8%	14	5.6%	250	123.8	74.0
Lee	95	72.5%	27	20.6%	9	6.9%	131	135.0	97.0
District Totals	410	73.5%	114	20.4%	34	6.1%	558	128.6	76.0
District 12									
Cumberland	1,056	46.1%	447	19.5%	786	34.3%	2,289	317.9	222.0
Hoke	22	35.5%	13	21.0%	27	43.5%	62	575.6	301.0
District Totals	1,078	45.9%	460	19.6%	813	34.6%	2,351	324.7	223.0
District 13									
Bladen	24	64.9%	7	18.9%	6	16.2%	37	209.1	65.0
Brunswick	101	54.6%	28	15.1%	56	30.3%	185	300.7	144.0
Columbus	125	54.3%	52	22.6%	53	23.0%	230	223.9	157.5
District Totals	250	55.3%	87	19.2%	115	25.4%	452	254.1	143.5
District 14									
Durham	437	43.7%	174	17.4%	388	38.8%	999	333.5	247.0
District 15A									
Alamance	197	90.4%	16	7.3%	5	2.3%	218	70.2	39.0
District 15B									
Chatham	56	44.8%	24	19.2%	45	36.0%	125	297.8	255.0
Orange	126	61.8%	40	19.6%	38	18.6%	204	203.3	117.5
District Totals	182	55.3%	64	19.5%	83	25.2%	329	239.2	138.0
District 16									
Robeson	190	71.7%	33	12.5%	42	15.8%	265	171.8	80.0
Scotland	74	76.3%	12	12.4%	11	11.3%	97	170.7	79.0
District Totals	264	72.9%	45	12.4%	53	14.6%	362	171.5	79.5
District 17A									
Caswell	40	58.0%	15	21.7%	14	20.3%	69	268.3	150.0
Rockingham	175	69.7%	62	24.7%	14	5.6%	251	142.4	87.0
District Totals	215	67.2%	77	24.1%	28	8.8%	320	169.5	102.0
District 17B									
Stokes	37	63.8%	14	24.1%	7	12.1%	58	168.4	116.0
Surry	101	66.0%	20	13.1%	32	20.9%	153	233.2	103.0
District Totals	138	65.4%	34	16.1%	39	18.5%	211	215.4	108.0

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District 18									
Guilford	860	52.8%	396	24.3%	372	22.9%	1,628	248.9	160.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	212	58.7%	76	21.1%	73	20.2%	361	205.3	129.0
Rowan	182	60.3%	79	26.2%	41	13.6%	302	181.1	116.0
District Totals	394	59.4%	155	23.4%	114	17.2%	663	194.3	125.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	51	77.3%	10	15.2%	5	7.6%	66	124.0	87.0
Randolph	144	78.7%	19	10.4%	20	10.9%	183	133.3	75.0
District Totals	195	78.3%	29	11.6%	25	10.0%	249	130.9	79.0
District 20									
Anson	36	49.3%	15	20.5%	22	30.1%	73	262.7	209.0
Moore	97	38.3%	54	21.3%	102	40.3%	253	400.8	283.0
Richmond	96	35.4%	44	16.2%	131	48.3%	271	380.9	338.0
Stanly	64	37.6%	27	15.9%	79	46.5%	170	381.4	333.5
Union	113	44.5%	52	20.5%	89	35.0%	254	311.5	213.5
District Totals	406	39.8%	192	18.8%	423	41.4%	1,021	360.2	270.0
District 21									
Forsyth	667	63.6%	179	17.1%	202	19.3%	1,048	210.8	90.0
District 22									
Alexander	33	56.9%	12	20.7%	13	22.4%	58	275.6	160.5
Davidson	229	70.9%	55	17.0%	39	12.1%	323	158.6	97.0
Davie	26	37.1%	24	34.3%	20	28.6%	70	264.4	234.0
Iredell	157	69.8%	40	17.8%	28	12.4%	225	150.6	80.0
District Totals	445	65.8%	131	19.4%	100	14.8%	676	176.9	100.5
District 23									
Alleghany	16	88.9%	1	5.6%	1	5.6%	18	78.1	45.5
Ashe	29	74.4%	5	12.8%	5	12.8%	39	153.6	69.0
Wilkes	88	81.5%	16	14.8%	4	3.7%	108	97.8	48.0
Yadkin	44	80.0%	7	12.7%	4	7.3%	55	136.6	67.0
District Totals	177	80.5%	29	13.2%	14	6.4%	220	115.8	55.0
District 24									
Avery	27	39.7%	21	30.9%	20	29.4%	68	280.1	229.0
Madison	11	45.8%	1	4.2%	12	50.0%	24	454.8	359.0
Mitchell	19	45.2%	13	31.0%	10	23.8%	42	279.4	196.5
Watauga	79	67.5%	23	19.7%	15	12.8%	117	179.7	94.0
Yancey	16	55.2%	8	27.6%	5	17.2%	29	234.9	143.0
District Totals	152	54.3%	66	23.6%	62	22.1%	280	248.4	154.5
District 25									
Burke	132	51.2%	45	17.4%	81	31.4%	258	400.4	159.5
Caldwell	143	45.7%	55	17.6%	115	36.7%	313	362.0	221.0
Catawba	239	56.5%	101	23.9%	83	19.6%	423	212.2	139.0
District Totals	514	51.7%	201	20.2%	279	28.1%	994	308.2	163.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,088	75.1%	341	23.5%	20	1.4%	1,449	115.2	80.0

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District 27A									
Gaston	458	52.9%	155	17.9%	253	29.2%	866	259.2	151.5
District 27B									
Cleveland	169	73.8%	28	12.2%	32	14.0%	229	160.1	76.0
Lincoln	59	80.8%	11	15.1%	3	4.1%	73	98.2	58.0
District Totals	228	75.5%	39	12.9%	35	11.6%	302	145.2	73.0
District 28									
Buncombe	480	70.7%	145	21.4%	54	8.0%	679	145.3	95.0
District 29									
Henderson	135	47.2%	53	18.5%	98	34.3%	286	337.3	194.5
McDowell	64	71.1%	15	16.7%	11	12.2%	90	158.7	80.0
Polk	10	50.0%	5	25.0%	5	25.0%	20	294.2	182.5
Rutherford	86	40.2%	51	23.8%	77	36.0%	214	340.0	274.0
Transylvania	61	45.9%	26	19.5%	46	34.6%	133	321.3	223.0
District Totals	356	47.9%	150	20.2%	237	31.9%	743	312.4	195.0
District 30									
Cherokee	37	57.8%	11	17.2%	16	25.0%	64	229.3	133.5
Clay	6	46.2%	1	7.7%	6	46.2%	13	341.9	285.0
Graham	16	66.7%	4	16.7%	4	16.7%	24	208.7	123.0
Haywood	108	39.9%	45	16.6%	118	43.5%	271	380.1	290.0
Jackson	44	59.5%	13	17.6%	17	23.0%	74	226.4	123.5
Macon	41	40.6%	23	22.8%	37	36.6%	101	449.7	258.0
Swain	27	38.6%	14	20.0%	29	41.4%	70	453.4	253.0
District Totals	279	45.2%	111	18.0%	227	36.8%	617	358.3	229.0
State Totals	14,285	54.4%	4,991	19.0%	6,984	26.6%	26,260	290.0	149.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 1									
Camden	27	75.0%	4	11.1%	5	13.9%	36	140.2	61.0
Chowan	111	82.8%	14	10.4%	9	6.7%	134	101.1	37.0
Currituck	60	73.2%	14	17.1%	8	9.8%	82	126.9	74.5
Dare	109	72.7%	26	17.3%	15	10.0%	150	147.3	67.0
Gates	48	87.3%	5	9.1%	2	3.6%	55	91.2	54.0
Pasquotank	240	78.4%	22	7.2%	44	14.4%	306	143.4	59.5
Perquimans	58	85.3%	3	4.4%	7	10.3%	68	112.7	57.0
District Totals	653	78.6%	88	10.6%	90	10.8%	831	129.6	58.0
District 2									
Beaufort	283	79.9%	23	6.5%	48	13.6%	354	145.1	46.0
Hyde	37	74.0%	4	8.0%	9	18.0%	50	200.8	67.5
Martin	276	86.3%	24	7.5%	20	6.3%	320	100.2	47.0
Tyrrell	20	90.9%	1	4.5%	1	4.5%	22	100.8	31.5
Washington	171	87.7%	18	9.2%	6	3.1%	195	68.4	0.0
District Totals	787	83.6%	70	7.4%	84	8.9%	941	115.9	42.0
District 3									
Carteret	379	83.1%	46	10.1%	31	6.8%	456	116.5	60.5
Craven	707	84.3%	73	8.7%	59	7.0%	839	115.3	58.0
Pamlico	91	83.5%	8	7.3%	10	9.2%	109	100.1	39.0
Pitt	552	87.8%	38	6.0%	39	6.2%	629	109.4	50.0
District Totals	1,729	85.0%	165	8.1%	139	6.8%	2,033	112.9	55.0
District 4									
Duplin	256	85.9%	25	8.4%	17	5.7%	298	105.3	49.5
Jones	66	77.6%	6	7.1%	13	15.3%	85	168.3	51.0
Onslow	1,070	84.3%	109	8.6%	91	7.2%	1,270	123.5	60.0
Sampson	440	90.0%	37	7.6%	12	2.5%	489	79.9	46.0
District Totals	1,832	85.5%	177	8.3%	133	6.2%	2,142	112.8	56.0
District 5									
New Hanover	1,007	79.7%	89	7.0%	168	13.3%	1,264	156.1	56.0
Pender	187	71.9%	47	18.1%	26	10.0%	260	147.4	76.0
District Totals	1,194	78.3%	136	8.9%	194	12.7%	1,524	154.6	56.5
District 6									
Bertie	242	79.3%	47	15.4%	16	5.2%	305	100.1	55.0
Halifax	543	76.1%	116	16.2%	55	7.7%	714	115.5	63.0
Hertford	227	71.2%	65	20.4%	27	8.5%	319	139.6	77.0
Northampton	209	86.0%	28	11.5%	6	2.5%	243	69.0	1.0
District Totals	1,221	77.2%	256	16.2%	104	6.6%	1,581	110.2	59.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	498	63.7%	43	5.5%	241	30.8%	782	395.0	76.0
Nash	591	73.1%	46	5.7%	172	21.3%	809	253.1	61.0
Wilson	733	80.0%	54	5.9%	129	14.1%	916	172.1	48.0
District Totals	1,822	72.7%	143	5.7%	542	21.6%	2,507	267.7	56.0
District 8									
Greene	104	91.2%	6	5.3%	4	3.5%	114	64.4	39.0
Lenoir	638	81.3%	89	11.3%	58	7.4%	785	117.8	54.0
Wayne	1,003	79.6%	202	16.0%	55	4.4%	1,260	106.3	55.0
District Totals	1,745	80.8%	297	13.8%	117	5.4%	2,159	108.3	54.0

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District 9									
Franklin	214	87.0%	23	9.3%	9	3.7%	246	89.0	42.0
Granville	185	73.4%	36	14.3%	31	12.3%	252	137.7	61.5
Person	219	80.5%	28	10.3%	25	9.2%	272	111.8	45.0
Vance	458	85.6%	45	8.4%	32	6.0%	535	98.1	41.0
Warren	123	75.0%	12	7.3%	29	17.7%	164	159.3	54.0
District Totals	1,199	81.6%	144	9.8%	126	8.6%	1,469	112.8	45.0
District 10									
Wake	2,759	81.5%	190	5.6%	437	12.9%	3,386	163.7	47.0
District 11									
Harnett	481	82.6%	84	14.4%	17	2.9%	582	86.2	47.0
Johnston	672	82.1%	109	13.3%	38	4.6%	819	92.5	47.0
Lee	314	81.6%	42	10.9%	29	7.5%	385	100.4	46.0
District Totals	1,467	82.1%	235	13.2%	84	4.7%	1,786	92.2	47.0
District 12									
Cumberland	2,808	75.2%	414	11.1%	514	13.8%	3,736	190.9	70.0
Hoke	125	88.7%	8	5.7%	8	5.7%	141	85.1	42.0
District Totals	2,933	75.7%	422	10.9%	522	13.5%	3,877	187.1	69.0
District 13									
Bladen	199	94.8%	6	2.9%	5	2.4%	210	50.4	26.5
Brunswick	301	89.3%	25	7.4%	11	3.3%	337	79.4	52.0
Columbus	511	83.6%	51	8.3%	49	8.0%	611	100.1	45.0
District Totals	1,011	87.3%	82	7.1%	65	5.6%	1,158	85.1	44.0
District 14									
Durham	1,272	82.0%	112	7.2%	167	10.8%	1,551	151.6	54.0
District 15A									
Alamance	985	91.3%	71	6.6%	23	2.1%	1,079	74.0	46.0
District 15B									
Chatham	198	78.0%	14	5.5%	42	16.5%	254	172.0	48.0
Orange	407	75.2%	40	7.4%	94	17.4%	541	214.6	54.0
District Totals	605	76.1%	54	6.8%	136	17.1%	795	201.0	52.0
District 16									
Robeson	988	86.7%	59	5.2%	92	8.1%	1,139	95.9	39.0
Scotland	289	79.2%	43	11.8%	33	9.0%	365	112.0	45.0
District Totals	1,277	84.9%	102	6.8%	125	8.3%	1,504	99.8	40.0
District 17A									
Caswell	130	74.7%	32	18.4%	12	6.9%	174	121.7	37.0
Rockingham	719	83.4%	102	11.8%	41	4.8%	862	93.4	43.0
District Totals	849	81.9%	134	12.9%	53	5.1%	1,036	98.2	42.0
District 17B									
Stokes	128	77.1%	19	11.4%	19	11.4%	166	124.9	65.0
Surry	421	86.6%	38	7.8%	27	5.6%	486	94.2	49.0
District Totals	549	84.2%	57	8.7%	46	7.1%	652	102.0	54.0

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District 18									
Guilford	2,891	88.1%	249	7.6%	142	4.3%	3,282	91.8	48.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	837	81.7%	54	5.3%	134	13.1%	1,025	123.8	48.0
Rowan	758	88.4%	53	6.2%	46	5.4%	857	85.5	48.0
District Totals	1,595	84.8%	107	5.7%	180	9.6%	1,882	106 4	48.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	124	93.9%	8	6.1%	0	0.0%	132	64.8	47.0
Randolph	522	77.1%	85	12.6%	70	10.3%	677	128.0	51.0
District Totals	646	79.9%	93	11.5%	70	8.7%	809	117.7	50.0
District 20									
Anson	209	87.1%	14	5.8%	17	7.1%	240	90.3	40.5
Moore	384	90.6%	30	7.1%	10	2.4%	424	84.1	57.0
Richmond	397	81.0%	16	3.3%	77	15.7%	490	349.2	48.0
Stanly	321	91.5%	16	4.6%	14	4.0%	351	75.4	41.0
Union	492	84.4%	33	5.7%	58	9.9%	583	126.1	46.0
District Totals	1,803	86.4%	109	5.2%	176	8.4%	2,088	157.3	47.5
District 21									
Forsyth	2,490	89.2%	190	6.8%	111	4.0%	2,791	92.9	56.0
District 22									
Alexander	179	85.6%	17	8.1%	13	6.2%	209	92.2	43.0
Davidson	744	88.2%	71	8.4%	29	3.4%	844	81.5	45.0
Davie	125	60.7%	38	18.4%	43	20.9%	206	221.9	107.5
Iredell	540	85.0%	44	6.9%	51	8.0%	635	98.9	47.0
District Totals	1,588	83.8%	170	9.0%	136	7.2%	1,894	103.8	48.0
District 23									
Alleghany	57	85.1%	8	11.9%	2	3.0%	67	86.9	48.0
Ashe	148	94.9%	7	4.5%	1	0.6%	156	56.9	41.0
Wilkes	425	89.1%	37	7.8%	15	3.1%	477	79.1	44.0
Yadkin	187	87.4%	20	9.3%	7	3.3%	214	75.7	42.0
District Totals	817	89.4%	72	7.9%	25	2.7%	914	75.1	43.0
District 24									
Avery	102	77.9%	7	5.3%	22	16.8%	131	206.1	71.0
Madison	25	49.0%	11	21.6%	15	29.4%	51	361.9	226.0
Mitchell	63	82.9%	5	6.6%	8	10.5%	76	120.3	57.0
Watauga	190	76.3%	36	14.5%	23	9.2%	249	141.3	74.0
Yancey	91	77.8%	18	15.4%	8	6.8%	117	136.9	57.0
District Totals	471	75.5%	77	12.3%	76	12.2%	624	169.5	70.0
District 25									
Burke	479	82.0%	39	6.7%	66	11.3%	584	131.4	46.0
Caldwell	527	80.0%	35	5.3%	97	14.7%	659	207.7	47.0
Catawba	972	81.0%	85	7.1%	143	11.9%	1,200	127.5	46.0
District Totals	1,978	81.0%	159	6.5%	306	12.5%	2,443	150.1	46.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,436	86.9%	378	7.4%	289	5.7%	5,103	85.2	48.0

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District 27A									
Gaston	1,883	90.4%	99	4.8%	100	4.8%	2,082	83.9	42.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	642	69.6%	133	14.4%	147	15.9%	922	173.5	57.0
Lincoln	331	90.9%	28	7.7%	5	1.4%	364	74.4	44.0
District Totals	973	75.7%	161	12.5%	152	11.8%	1,286	145.5	50.0
District 28									
Buncombe	1,465	79.7%	289	15.7%	84	4.6%	1,838	106.3	56.0
District 29									
Henderson	399	54.2%	55	7.5%	282	38.3%	736	393.6	138.5
McDowell	228	77.6%	34	11.6%	32	10.9%	294	130.2	49.0
Polk	71	82.6%	7	8.1%	8	9.3%	86	122.5	43.0
Rutherford	361	84.3%	26	6.1%	41	9.6%	428	126.3	48.0
Transylvania	167	81.1%	12	5.8%	27	13.1%	206	153.5	50.0
District Totals	1,226	70.1%	134	7.7%	390	22.3%	1,750	242.4	61.0
District 30									
Cherokee	128	75.7%	26	15.4%	15	8.9%	169	138.6	64.0
Clay	21	63.6%	6	18.2%	6	18.2%	33	195.9	123.0
Graham	39	72.2%	10	18.5%	5	9.3%	54	155.1	104.5
Haywood	283	77.5%	44	12.1%	38	10.4%	365	144.5	64.0
Jackson	138	78.4%	26	14.8%	12	6.8%	176	121.8	63.0
Macon	129	78.7%	15	9.1%	20	12.2%	164	148.0	67.5
Swain	63	52.5%	27	22.5%	30	25.0%	120	290.2	152.5
District Totals	801	74.1%	154	14.2%	126	11.7%	1,081	158.7	71.0
State Totals	50,952	82.3%	5,376	8.7%	5,550	9.0%	61,878	129.5	51.0

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 1									
Camden	6	60.0%	3	30.0%	1	10.0%	10	229.9	210.0
Chowan	19	35.8%	12	22.6%	22	41.5%	53	504.5	380.0
Currituck	27	71.1%	9	23.7%	2	5.3%	38	218.8	144.5
Dare	80	69.6%	20	17.4%	15	13.0%	115	229.9	153.0
Gates	9	69.2%	2	15.4%	2	15.4%	13	235.0	166.0
Pasquotank	52	52.5%	35	35.4%	12	12.1%	99	257.3	248.0
Perquimans	34	79.1%	5	11.6%	4	9.3%	43	164.5	9.0
District Totals	227	61.2%	86	23.2%	58	15.6%	371	267.9	185.0
District 2									
Beaufort	63	48.5%	33	25.4%	34	26.2%	130	381.5	312.0
Hyde	12	57.1%	1	4.8%	8	38.1%	21	457.3	221.0
Martin	25	36.8%	8	11.8%	35	51.5%	68	847.9	672.0
Tyrrell	4	66.7%	1	16.7%	1	16.7%	6	222.5	108.5
Washington	22	55.0%	13	32.5%	5	12.5%	40	269.9	188.5
District Totals	126	47.5%	56	21.1%	83	31.3%	265	486.7	321.0
District 3									
Carteret	92	75.4%	19	15.6%	11	9.0%	122	202.9	129.5
Craven	255	75.7%	48	14.2%	34	10.1%	337	211.8	107.0
Pamlico	8	53.3%	3	20.0%	4	26.7%	15	467.8	243.0
Pitt	200	87.3%	22	9.6%	7	3.1%	229	138.8	82.0
District Totals	555	78.9%	92	13.1%	56	8.0%	703	191.9	104.0
District 4									
Duplin	79	73.8%	12	11.2%	16	15.0%	107	262.4	80.0
Jones	11	50.0%	3	13.6%	8	36.4%	22	636.0	350.5
Onslow	306	51.6%	129	21.8%	158	26.6%	593	357.2	254.0
Sampson	60	64.5%	18	19.4%	15	16.1%	93	270.8	157.0
District Totals	456	56.0%	162	19.9%	197	24.2%	815	342.4	195.0
District 5									
New Hanover	651	57.6%	231	20.4%	248	21.9%	1,130	330.6	200.5
Pender	37	33.3%	41	36.9%	33	29.7%	111	478.0	311.0
District Totals	688	55.4%	272	21.9%	281	22.6%	1,241	343.8	215.0
District 6									
Bertie	25	96.2%	1	3.8%	0	0.0%	26	124.7	105.5
Halifax	77	75.5%	22	21.6%	3	2.9%	102	165.1	112.5
Hertford	74	92.5%	4	5.0%	2	2.5%	80	117.5	63.5
Northampton	16	84.2%	2	10.5%	1	5.3%	19	166.6	89.0
District Totals	192	84.6%	29	12.8%	6	2.6%	227	143.8	89.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	100	63.3%	22	13.9%	36	22.8%	158	406.4	165.0
Nash	170	63.4%	44	16.4%	54	20.1%	268	367.7	142.0
Wilson	152	56.5%	40	14.9%	77	28.6%	269	506.2	216.0
District Totals	422	60.7%	106	15.3%	167	24.0%	695	430.1	179.0
District 8									
Greene	9	69.2%	4	30.8%	0	0.0%	13	170.7	86.0
Lenoir	197	81.4%	37	15.3%	8	3.3%	242	139.1	97.0
Wayne	306	80.5%	56	14.7%	18	4.7%	380	181.0	135.5
District Totals	512	80.6%	97	15.3%	26	4.1%	635	172.5	118.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 9									
Franklin	31	50.8%	12	19.7%	18	29.5%	61	430.8	269.0
Granville	62	79.5%	12	15.4%	4	5.1%	78	202.4	135.5
Person	41	64.1%	11	17.2%	12	18.8%	64	272.8	146.0
Vance	82	70.7%	21	18.1%	13	11.2%	116	252.1	147.5
Warren	18	62.1%	9	31.0%	2	6.9%	29	250.9	181.0
District Totals	234	67.2%	65	18.7%	49	14.1%	348	276.0	156.0
District 10									
Wake	1,431	75.3%	323	17.0%	146	7.7%	1,900	206.9	123.0
District 11									
Harnett	166	92.2%	13	7.2%	1	0.6%	180	110.5	92.0
Johnston	210	88.6%	17	7.2%	10	4.2%	237	155.4	97.0
Lee	173	85.6%	22	10.9%	7	3.5%	202	149.8	87.0
District Totals	549	88.7%	52	8.4%	18	2.9%	619	140.5	94.0
District 12									
Cumberland	417	50.0%	204	24.5%	213	25.5%	834	358.8	272.5
Hoke	30	61.2%	9	18.4%	10	20.4%	49	331.3	103.0
District Totals	447	50.6%	213	24.1%	223	25.3%	883	357.2	261.0
District 13									
Bladen	92	60.5%	36	23.7%	24	15.8%	152	274.8	192.0
Brunswick	238	52.2%	143	31.4%	75	16.4%	456	339.8	247.5
Columbus	189	56.6%	116	34.7%	29	8.7%	334	256.2	207.5
District Totals	519	55.1%	295	31.3%	128	13.6%	942	299.7	226.0
District 14									
Durham	588	48.9%	372	30.9%	242	20.1%	1,202	355.7	284.5
District 15A									
Alamance	247	90.5%	22	8.1%	4	1.5%	273	117.2	74.0
District 15B									
Chatham	32	41.6%	23	29.9%	22	28.6%	77	392.1	340.0
Orange	202	74.3%	44	16.2%	26	9.6%	272	214.8	122.5
District Totals	234	67.0%	67	19.2%	48	13.8%	349	253.9	136.0
District 16									
Robeson	318	68.4%	74	15.9%	73	15.7%	465	268.4	130.0
Scotland	60	72.3%	8	9.6%	15	18.1%	83	283.9	158.0
District Totals	378	69.0%	82	15.0%	88	16.1%	548	270.7	133.5
District 17A									
Caswell	30	78.9%	8	21.1%	0	0.0%	38	176.4	212.0
Rockingham	147	85.0%	21	12.1%	5	2.9%	173	151.7	103.0
District Totals	177	83.9%	29	13.7%	5	2.4%	211	156.1	118.0
District 17B									
Stokes	37	64.9%	13	22.8%	7	12.3%	57	269.6	132.0
Surry	120	73.2%	26	15.9%	18	11.0%	164	222.2	117.5
District Totals	157	71.0%	39	17.6%	25	11.3%	221	234.4	123.0

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	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 18									
Guilford	1,618	68.6%	528	22.4%	213	9.0%	2,359	221.0	144.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	213	72.2%	66	22.4%	16	5.4%	295	205.4	130.0
Rowan	238	63.5%	119	31.7%	18	4.8%	375	257.4	165.0
District Totals	451	67.3%	185	27.6%	34	5.1%	670	234.5	157.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	76	72.4%	12	11.4%	17	16.2%	105	231.2	87.0
Randolph	82	72.6%	19	16.8%	12	10.6%	113	221.5	107.0
District Totals	158	72.5%	31	14.2%	29	13.3%	218	226.2	99.0
District 20									
Anson	42	60.0%	21	30.0%	7	10.0%	70	290.1	221.5
Moore	178	44.3%	102	25.4%	122	30.3%	402	440.5	337.0
Richmond	121	43.1%	119	42.3%	41	14.6%	281	335.3	304.0
Stanly	96	38.6%	36	14.5%	117	47.0%	249	633.1	459.0
Union	176	57.0%	68	22.0%	65	21.0%	309	308.9	240.0
District Totals	613	46.8%	346	26.4%	352	26.8%	1,311	415.5	296.0
District 21									
Forsyth	902	65.3%	266	19.2%	214	15.5%	1,382	241.6	129.0
District 22									
Alexander	16	66.7%	7	29.2%	1	4.2%	24	238.4	161.5
Davidson	176	83.4%	24	11.4%	11	5.2%	211	162.0	110.0
Davie	50	63.3%	24	30.4%	5	6.3%	79	220.4	185.0
Iredell	194	76.7%	44	17.4%	15	5.9%	253	198.6	139.0
District Totals	436	76.9%	99	17.5%	32	5.6%	567	189.7	130.0
District 23									
Alleghany	40	85.1%	5	10.6%	2	4.3%	47	178.0	151.0
Ashe	22	57.9%	8	21.1%	8	21.1%	38	269.8	171.0
Wilkes	177	79.4%	33	14.8%	13	5.8%	223	158.7	102.0
Yadkin	42	63.6%	10	15.2%	14	21.2%	66	411.8	161.5
District Totals	281	75.1%	56	15.0%	37	9.9%	374	217.1	115.5
District 24									
Avery	79	83.2%	6	6.3%	10	10.5%	95	173.1	61.0
Madison	26	70.3%	7	18.9%	4	10.8%	37	223.4	136.0
Mitchell	34	81.0%	6	14.3%	2	4.8%	42	169.6	111.0
Watauga	108	75.0%	27	18.8%	9	6.3%	144	210.3	180.0
Yancey	9	56.3%	4	25.0%	3	18.8%	16	287.5	185.5
District Totals	256	76.6%	50	15.0%	28	8.4%	334	199.7	119.0
District 25									
Burke	96	52.2%	42	22.8%	46	25.0%	184	452.5	254.5
Caldwell	139	81.3%	22	12.9%	10	5.8%	171	168.1	76.0
Catawba	284	72.8%	85	21.8%	21	5.4%	390	207.1	159.0
District Totals	519	69.7%	149	20.0%	77	10.3%	745	258.8	139.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	2,294	70.0%	628	19.2%	353	10.8%	3,275	220.3	145.0

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	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	237	67.9%	81	23.2%	31	8.9%	349	227.1	143.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	117	95.9%	5	4.1%	0	0.0%	122	92.5	67.5
Lincoln	58	93.5%	2	3.2%	2	3.2%	62	128.3	78.0
District Totals	175	95.1%	7	3.8%	2	1.1%	184	104.6	70.5
District 28									
Buncombe	564	90.5%	55	8.8%	4	0.6%	623	122.2	96.0
District 29									
Henderson	132	52.8%	63	25.2%	55	22.0%	250	336.3	230.5
McDowell	60	72.3%	14	16.9%	9	10.8%	83	245.4	202.0
Polk	15	57.7%	8	30.8%	3	11.5%	26	272.3	250.0
Rutherford	67	61.5%	30	27.5%	12	11.0%	109	239.8	153.0
Transylvania	55	40.7%	45	33.3%	35	25.9%	135	401.5	349.0
District Totals	329	54.6%	160	26.5%	114	18.9%	603	318.2	247.0
District 30									
Cherokee	20	71.4%	8	28.6%	0	0.0%	28	170.4	150.0
Clay	13	81.3%	3	18.8%	0	0.0%	16	96.4	40.0
Graham	7	70.0%	3	30.0%	0	0.0%	10	186.0	161.5
Haywood	68	49.6%	33	24.1%	36	26.3%	137	390.5	275.0
Jackson	47	75.8%	8	12.9%	7	11.3%	62	236.1	141.0
Macon	53	55.2%	22	22.9%	21	21.9%	96	475.5	232.0
Swain	17	39.5%	10	23.3%	16	37.2%	43	513.8	362.0
District Totals	225	57.4%	87	22.2%	80	20.4%	392	367.5	203.5
State Totals	17,197	66.6%	5,187	20.1%	3,450	13.4%	25,834	261.4	152.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 1									
Camden	3	60.0%	2	40.0%	0	0.0%	5	219.2	152.0
Chowan	41	57.7%	12	16.9%	18	25.4%	71	331.7	221.0
Currituck	32	74.4%	10	23.3%	1	2.3%	43	190.5	116.0
Dare	82	71.3%	20	17.4%	13	11.3%	115	212.4	119.0
Gates	19	70.4%	3	11.1%	5	18.5%	27	237.9	83.0
Pasquotank	93	69.9%	14	10.5%	26	19.5%	133	253.9	92.0
Perquimans	14	58.3%	9	37.5%	1	4.2%	24	233.6	222.0
District Totals	284	67.9%	70	16.7%	64	15.3%	418	246.6	136.5
District 2									
Beaufort	99	68.3%	18	12.4%	28	19.3%	145	257.2	119.0
Hyde	4	25.0%	7	43.8%	5	31.3%	16	487.8	345.5
Martin	48	65.8%	4	5.5%	21	28.8%	73	621.3	87.0
Tyrrell	7	70.0%	0	0.0%	3	30.0%	10	288.9	77.5
Washington	37	66.1%	12	21.4%	7	12.5%	56	280.7	184.5
District Totals	195	65.0%	41	13.7%	64	21.3%	300	363.6	140.0
District 3									
Carteret	268	85.4%	34	10.8%	12	3.8%	314	145.6	83.0
Craven	663	86.0%	75	9.7%	33	4.3%	771	156.4	89.0
Pamlico	25	64.1%	11	28.2%	3	7.7%	39	248.7	210.0
Pitt	438	88.8%	48	9.7%	7	1.4%	493	135.6	100.0
District Totals	1,394	86.2%	168	10.4%	55	3.4%	1,617	150.2	97.0
District 4									
Duplin	101	61.6%	40	24.4%	23	14.0%	164	308.6	138.5
Jones	11	61.1%	3	16.7%	4	22.2%	18	579.2	233.5
Onslow	298	79.9%	43	11.5%	32	8.6%	373	200.1	99.0
Sampson	148	76.3%	35	18.0%	11	5.7%	194	188.4	117.0
District Totals	558	74.5%	121	16.2%	70	9.3%	749	230.0	114.0
District 5									
New Hanover	1,250	58.7%	419	19.7%	461	21.6%	2,130	315.3	165.0
Pender	83	59.7%	33	23.7%	23	16.5%	139	289.0	150.0
District Totals	1,333	58.7%	452	19.9%	484	21.3%	2,269	313.7	164.0
District 6									
Bertie	39	66.1%	12	20.3%	8	13.6%	59	220.1	84.0
Halifax	137	78.7%	27	15.5%	10	5.7%	174	161.1	74.0
Hertford	154	90.1%	11	6.4%	6	3.5%	171	135.4	83.0
Northampton	25	69.4%	6	16.7%	5	13.9%	36	262.7	96.5
District Totals	355	80.7%	56	12.7%	29	6.6%	440	167.3	82.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	182	43.2%	50	11.9%	189	44.9%	421	645.8	437.0
Nash	267	51.0%	34	6.5%	223	42.6%	524	561.9	239.5
Wilson	263	50.2%	42	8.0%	219	41.8%	524	601.8	269.5
District Totals	712	48.5%	126	8.6%	631	43.0%	1,469	600.2	344.0
District 8									
Greene	18	94.7%	1	5.3%	0	0.0%	19	92.1	63.0
Lenoir	386	84.3%	60	13.1%	12	2.6%	458	141.5	70.5
Wayne	493	64.4%	228	29.8%	44	5.8%	765	206.6	157.0
District Totals	897	72.2%	289	23.3%	56	4.5%	1,242	180.9	114.0

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	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 9									
Franklin	67	64.4%	20	19.2%	17	16.3%	104	308.9	212.0
Granville	104	73.8%	26	18.4%	11	7.8%	141	217.1	163.0
Person	106	71.1%	30	20.1%	13	8.7%	149	202.9	96.0
Vance	96	71.1%	25	18.5%	14	10.4%	135	275.6	133.0
Warren	35	72.9%	10	20.8%	3	6.3%	48	236.7	218.0
District Totals	408	70.7%	111	19.2%	58	10.1%	577	245.3	163.0
District 10									
Wake	2,921	79.0%	630	17.0%	147	4.0%	3,698	175.3	100.0
District 11									
Harnett	290	76.3%	82	21.6%	8	2.1%	380	171.4	140.5
Johnston	551	79.4%	135	19.5%	8	1.2%	694	152.6	85.5
Lee	385	68.0%	167	29.5%	14	2.5%	566	180.2	102.0
District Totals	1,226	74.8%	384	23.4%	30	1.8%	1,640	166.5	104.0
District 12									
Cumberland	745	68.0%	128	11.7%	223	20.3%	1,096	296.6	119.0
Hoke	68	84.0%	9	11.1%	4	4.9%	81	141.6	66.0
District Totals	813	69.1%	137	11.6%	227	19.3%	1,177	286.0	106.0
District 13									
Bladen	272	95.8%	12	4.2%	0	0.0%	284	71.9	49.0
Brunswick	350	86.2%	47	11.6%	9	2.2%	406	137.2	77.0
Columbus	230	71.9%	78	24.4%	12	3.8%	320	189.5	121.0
District Totals	852	84.4%	137	13.6%	21	2.1%	1,010	135.4	69.0
District 14									
Durham	766	69.4%	112	10.1%	226	20.5%	1,104	278.6	121.5
District 15A									
Alamance	526	91.5%	44	7.7%	5	0.9%	575	115.7	83.0
District 15B									
Chatham	74	59.7%	13	10.5%	37	29.8%	124	335.3	152.5
Orange	321	58.7%	71	13.0%	155	28.3%	547	387.9	181.0
District Totals	395	58.9%	84	12.5%	192	28.6%	671	378.2	176.0
District 16									
Robeson	723	72.4%	174	17.4%	101	10.1%	998	227.4	119.0
Scotland	126	79.7%	23	14.6%	9	5.7%	158	176.6	77.0
District Totals	849	73.4%	197	17.0%	110	9.5%	1,156	220.5	112.5
District 17A									
Caswell	34	73.9%	7	15.2%	5	10.9%	46	234.2	155.0
Rockingham	283	83.2%	51	15.0%	6	1.8%	340	137.4	69.0
District Totals	317	82.1%	58	15.0%	11	2.8%	386	148.9	76.5
District 17B									
Stokes	46	59.0%	25	32.1%	7	9.0%	78	237.3	142.0
Surry	288	75.4%	60	15.7%	34	8.9%	382	186.5	78.0
District Totals	334	72.6%	85	18.5%	41	8.9%	460	195.2	88.5

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 18									
Guilford	2,721	81.3%	528	15.8%	98	2.9%	3,347	148.2	84.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	229	50.0%	185	40.4%	44	9.6%	458	292.8	274.5
Rowan	245	72.9%	81	24.1%	10	3.0%	336	192.3	115.0
District Totals	474	59.7%	266	33.5%	54	6.8%	794	250.3	172.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	110	69.6%	41	25.9%	7	4.4%	158	193.2	127.0
Randolph	211	77.9%	39	14.4%	21	7.7%	271	168.1	69.0
District Totals	321	74.8%	80	18.6%	28	6.5%	429	177.4	85.0
District 20									
Anson	52	65.0%	19	23.8%	9	11.3%	80	246.0	143.0
Moore	182	77.8%	35	15.0%	17	7.3%	234	193.6	107.5
Richmond	97	55.7%	25	14.4%	52	29.9%	174	384.5	198.5
Stanly	284	92.8%	8	2.6%	14	4.6%	306	132.4	74.0
Union	226	61.9%	62	17.0%	77	21.1%	365	287.9	144.0
District Totals	841	72.6%	149	12.9%	169	14.6%	1,159	239.4	103.0
District 21									
Forsyth	1,834	79.2%	378	16.3%	104	4.5%	2,316	176.6	111.5
District 22									
Alexander	45	86.5%	5	9.6%	2	3.8%	52	132.7	65.5
Davidson	281	78.3%	57	15.9%	21	5.8%	359	175.6	103.0
Davie	78	53.8%	32	22.1%	35	24.1%	145	356.3	242.0
Iredell	376	69.6%	128	23.7%	36	6.7%	540	208.1	94.0
District Totals	780	71.2%	222	20.3%	94	8.6%	1,096	213.5	101.0
District 23									
Alleghany	50	79.4%	13	20.6%	0	0.0%	63	136.5	102.0
Ashe	49	81.7%	6	10.0%	5	8.3%	60	162.4	97.5
Wilkes	501	87.3%	64	11.1%	9	1.6%	574	121.9	65.0
Yadkin	88	77.9%	19	16.8%	6	5.3%	113	171.2	105.0
District Totals	688	84.9%	102	12.6%	20	2.5%	810	132.9	74.0
District 24									
Avery	116	90.6%	8	6.3%	4	3.1%	128	151.8	106.5
Madison	74	83.1%	11	12.4%	4	4.5%	89	134.9	55.0
Mitchell	43	86.0%	7	14.0%	0	0.0%	50	117.0	79.5
Watauga	217	90.4%	21	8.8%	2	0.8%	240	126.2	93.5
Yancey	12	48.0%	6	24.0%	7	28.0%	25	366.1	309.0
District Totals	462	86.8%	53	10.0%	17	3.2%	532	144.2	90.0
District 25									
Burke	242	81.8%	42	14.2%	12	4.1%	296	140.0	56.0
Caldwell	292	72.5%	76	18.9%	35	8.7%	403	242.5	158.0
Catawba	537	65.8%	194	23.8%	85	10.4%	816	229.4	126.0
District Totals	1,071	70.7%	312	20.6%	132	8.7%	1,515	215.6	115.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	3,901	74.2%	858	16.3%	500	9.5%	5,259	196.9	104.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	452	74.7%	106	17.5%	47	7.8%	605	208.0	141.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	195	75.0%	48	18.5%	17	6.5%	260	195.7	137.5
Lincoln	125	95.4%	6	4.6%	0	0.0%	131	112.8	91.0
District Totals	320	81.8%	54	13.8%	17	4.3%	391	167.9	117.0
District 28									
Buncombe	842	81.9%	167	16.2%	19	1.8%	1,028	170.2	137.0
District 29									
Henderson	132	45.2%	49	16.8%	111	38.0%	292	470.6	313.5
McDowell	61	67.8%	19	21.1%	10	11.1%	90	264.3	122.0
Polk	38	82.6%	5	10.9%	3	6.5%	46	161.0	104.5
Rutherford	90	63.8%	18	12.8%	33	23.4%	141	281.7	142.0
Transylvania	80	72.7%	22	20.0%	8	7.3%	110	204.5	93.0
District Totals	401	59.1%	113	16.6%	165	24.3%	679	340.0	171.0
District 30									
Cherokee	48	94.1%	2	3.9%	1	2.0%	51	102.4	73.0
Clay	23	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	23	71.0	50.0
Graham	15	71.4%	4	19.0%	2	9.5%	21	219.7	181.0
Haywood	96	48.0%	37	18.5%	67	33.5%	200	375.0	309.5
Jackson	51	68.9%	16	21.6%	7	9.5%	74	220.3	162.0
Macon	75	70.1%	18	16.8%	14	13.1%	107	263.1	139.0
Swain	9	25.0%	11	30.6%	16	44.4%	36	667.6	452.5
District Totals	317	61.9%	88	17.2%	107	20.9%	512	302.7	172.0
State Totals	30,560	73.8%	6,778	16.4%	4,092	9.9%	41,430	219.1	110.0

CIVIL MAGISTRATE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Filings	Dispositions
District 1		
Camden	90	100
Chowan	871	874
Currituck	297	269
Dare	431	415
Gates	262	286
Pasquotank	854	876
Perquimans	345	330
District Totals	3,150	3,150
District 2		
Beaufort	1,242	1,308
Hyde	128	127
Martin	885	837
Tyrrell	138	136
Washington	601	621
District Totals	2,994	3,029
District 3		
Carteret	1,762	1,752
Craven	2,250	2,179
Pamlico	265	255
Pitt	2,856	2,807
District Totals	7,133	6,993
District 4		
Duplin	1,371	1,413
Jones	160	161
Onslow	2,877	2,682
Sampson	1,432	1,417
District Totals	5,840	5,673
District 5		
New Hanover	3,815	3,636
Pender	480	384
District Totals	4,295	4,020
District 6		
Bertie	782	801
Halifax	1,787	1,725
Hertford	652	644
Northampton	746	748
District Totals	3,967	3,918
District 7		
Edgecombe	5,319	5,229
Nash	4,350	4,405
Wilson	3,187	3,223
District Totals	12,856	12,857
District 8		
Greene	367	368
Lenoir	2,629	2,605
Wayne	2,633	2,634
District Totals	5,629	5,607
District 9		
Franklin	955	892
Granville	1,420	1,353
Person	796	810
Vance	2,079	2,199
Warren	574	555
District Totals	5,824	5,809
District 10		
Wake	10,347	10,023
District 11		
Harnett	1,271	1,256
Johnston	1,848	2,026
Lee	880	862
District Totals	3,999	4,144
District 12		
Cumberland	9,257	9,261
Hoke	636	605
District Totals	9,893	9,866
District 13		
Bladen	2,118	2,055
Brunswick	1,102	1,057
Columbus	1,953	2,023
District Totals	5,173	5,135
District 14		
Durham	13,800	13,705
District 15A		
Alamance	3,780	3,628
District 15B		
Chatham	605	599
Orange	1,322	1,342
District Totals	1,927	1,941
District 16		
Robeson	7,153	7,200
Scotland	1,394	1,454
District Totals	8,547	8,654
District 17A		
Caswell	267	267
Rockingham	2,493	2,417
District Totals	2,760	2,684
District 17B		
Stokes	451	440
Surry	2,014	1,845
District Totals	2,465	2,285

CIVIL MAGISTRATE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Filings	Dispositions
District 18		
Guilford	11,682	10,880
District 19A		
Cabarrus	2,028	1,750
Rowan	2,674	2,601
District Totals	4,702	4,351
District 19B		
Montgomery	1,481	1,564
Randolph	1,445	1,363
District Totals	2,926	2,927
District 20		
Anson	872	882
Moore	1,441	1,419
Richmond	1,516	1,421
Stanly	1,276	1,277
Union	1,732	1,677
District Totals	6,837	6,676
District 21		
Forsyth	9,040	9,255
District 22		
Alexander	465	439
Davidson	2,240	2,207
Davie	376	400
Iredell	2,192	2,153
District Totals	5,273	5,199
District 23		
Alleghany	325	316
Ashe	212	191
Wilkes	1,725	1,732
Yadkin	776	760
District Totals	3,038	2,999
District 24		
Avery	272	271
Madison	99	94
Mitchell	162	156
Watauga	539	503
Yancey	102	101
District Totals	1,174	1,125
District 25		
Burke	1,645	1,647
Caldwell	1,310	1,418
Catawba	2,441	2,453
District Totals	5,396	5,518
District 26		
Mecklenburg	23,179	23,438
District 27A		
Gaston	3,952	4,019
District 27B		
Cleveland	2,961	2,732
Lincoln	612	696
District Totals	3,573	3,428
District 28		
Buncombe	4,162	3,920
District 29		
Henderson	750	725
McDowell	352	365
Polk	212	201
Rutherford	1,374	1,818
Transylvania	408	410
District Totals	3,096	3,519
District 30		
Cherokee	195	207
Clay	46	42
Graham	44	52
Haywood	701	676
Jackson	242	207
Macon	371	391
Swain	63	82
District Totals	1,662	1,657
State Totals	204,071	202,032

MATTERS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde-meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependant	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 1													
Camden	0	3	2	5	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	10	6
Chowan	0	2	36	38	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	41	30
Currituck	0	3	22	25	1	0	1	0	3	2	5	36	22
Dare	0	3	19	22	0	2	2	2	1	2	0	29	29
Gates	1	1	2	4	0	0	0	1	4	1	1	11	11
Pasquotank	0	40	85	125	0	0	0	1	19	13	4	162	99
Perquimans	0	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	12	6
District Totals	1	55	171	227	1	2	3	6	31	24	10	301	203
District 2													
Beaufort	0	6	90	96	1	0	1	5	1	1	2	106	54
Hyde	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	9	5
Martin	0	13	8	21	0	4	4	8	8	3	2	46	31
Tyrrell	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Washington	0	4	20	24	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	25	23
District Totals	0	23	126	149	1	4	5	18	9	4	5	190	117
District 3													
Carteret	0	18	64	82	1	7	8	18	12	1	1	122	58
Craven	0	25	160	185	1	7	8	7	10	15	14	239	77
Pamlico	0	0	12	12	0	3	3	3	1	0	0	19	18
Pitt	1	103	132	236	1	3	4	33	11	4	1	289	105
District Totals	1	146	368	515	3	20	23	61	34	20	16	669	258
District 4													
Duplin	0	22	35	57	0	3	3	1	13	1	0	75	38
Jones	0	0	5	5	1	1	2	2	0	1	0	10	10
Onslow	0	54	104	158	2	4	6	13	26	27	0	230	114
Sampson	0	41	60	101	0	5	5	5	10	6	12	139	49
District Totals	0	117	204	321	3	13	16	21	49	35	12	454	211
District 5													
New Hanover	0	111	241	352	13	53	66	2	27	4	7	458	172
Pender	0	4	21	25	1	5	6	2	5	3	0	41	28
District Totals	0	115	262	377	14	58	72	4	32	7	7	499	200
District 6													
Bertie	0	0	9	9	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	14	14
Halifax	0	83	41	124	0	12	12	9	14	5	0	164	77
Hertford	0	11	26	37	0	1	1	6	9	4	2	59	52
Northampton	0	4	15	19	0	3	3	0	5	5	0	32	27
District Totals	0	98	91	189	0	16	16	19	28	15	2	269	170
District 7													
Edgecombe	0	110	167	277	3	11	14	8	24	12	4	339	141
Nash	0	32	113	145	2	2	4	37	25	5	5	221	95
Wilson	0	65	123	188	1	4	5	5	12	8	2	220	86
District Totals	0	207	403	610	6	17	23	50	61	25	11	780	322
District 8													
Greene	1	0	7	8	0	1	1	3	1	0	2	15	15
Lenoir	0	36	169	205	3	12	15	10	30	1	10	271	114
Wayne	0	77	80	157	3	21	24	28	40	10	4	263	104
District Totals	1	113	256	370	6	34	40	41	71	11	16	549	233

MATTERS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependant	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 9													
Franklin	0	11	20	31	0	12	12	2	5	5	3	58	38
Granville	0	47	73	120	1	4	5	6	3	2	3	139	60
Person	0	1	9	10	0	5	5	7	7	6	0	35	28
Vance	0	26	97	123	16	0	16	3	3	0	0	145	57
Warren	0	11	2	13	1	3	4	2	1	3	0	23	15
District Totals	0	96	201	297	18	24	42	20	19	16	6	400	198
District 10													
Wake	0	141	303	444	37	4	41	19	23	11	16	554	298
District 11													
Harnett	0	68	73	141	0	9	9	13	17	6	4	190	65
Johnston	0	18	31	49	1	10	11	1	4	2	4	71	45
Lee	0	41	120	161	3	1	4	9	22	4	5	205	89
District Totals	0	127	224	351	4	20	24	23	43	12	13	466	199
District 12													
Cumberland	0	324	509	833	29	328	357	95	168	69	27	1,549	543
Hoke	0	6	41	47	2	9	11	12	10	1	3	84	48
District Totals	0	330	550	880	31	337	368	107	178	70	30	1,633	591
District 13													
Bladen	0	32	50	82	4	3	7	1	0	1	0	91	32
Brunswick	0	41	60	101	9	9	18	1	6	1	0	127	72
Columbus	0	12	34	46	2	6	8	16	40	4	6	120	73
District Totals	0	85	144	229	15	18	33	18	46	6	6	338	177
District 14													
Durham	2	204	305	511	2	31	33	42	36	21	3	646	212
District 15A													
Alamance	0	109	192	301	5	40	45	26	31	11	8	422	155
District 15B													
Chatham	0	1	14	15	2	1	3	10	4	1	7	40	35
Orange	0	48	116	164	4	6	10	20	15	1	4	214	202
District Totals	0	49	130	179	6	7	13	30	19	2	11	254	237
District 16													
Robeson	0	150	246	396	5	27	32	32	23	13	8	506	233
Scotland	0	70	109	179	2	1	3	2	34	6	7	231	121
District Totals	0	220	355	575	7	28	35	34	57	21	15	737	354
District 17A													
Caswell	0	5	4	9	2	1	3	3	2	1	0	18	12
Rockingham	0	72	75	147	0	10	10	6	13	9	8	193	71
District Totals	0	77	79	156	2	11	13	9	15	10	8	211	83
District 17B													
Stokes	0	19	38	57	3	6	9	3	4	5	3	81	36
Surry	0	20	47	67	0	4	4	1	17	4	0	93	53
District Totals	0	39	85	124	3	10	13	4	21	9	3	174	89

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependant	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 18													
Guilford	0	209	568	777	59	91	150	65	74	22	42	1,130	503
District 19A													
Cabarrus	0	43	41	84	1	17	18	5	11	5	14	137	79
Rowan	0	74	285	359	41	60	101	198	103	38	10	809	171
District Totals	0	117	326	443	42	77	119	203	114	43	24	946	250
District 19B													
Montgomery	0	0	27	27	1	3	4	9	1	1	0	42	35
Randolph	0	94	175	269	6	55	61	15	22	6	11	384	145
District Totals	0	94	202	296	7	58	65	24	23	7	11	426	180
District 20													
Anson	0	1	44	45	3	1	4	1	2	1	0	53	37
Moore	0	61	71	132	0	7	7	11	104	3	6	263	69
Richmond	0	125	67	192	0	2	2	4	5	7	2	212	59
Stanly	0	41	37	78	3	7	10	4	7	1	9	109	61
Union	1	95	129	225	3	19	22	12	38	22	10	329	141
District Totals	1	323	348	672	9	36	45	32	156	34	27	966	367
District 21													
Forsyth	1	143	333	477	10	181	191	11	53	8	25	765	377
District 22													
Alexander	0	5	14	19	3	9	12	3	5	5	3	47	41
Davidson	0	54	82	136	3	28	31	20	31	13	17	248	173
Davie	0	19	17	36	3	6	9	0	4	3	1	53	40
Iredell	0	9	160	169	14	24	38	9	19	2	0	237	116
District Totals	0	87	273	360	23	67	90	32	59	23	21	585	370
District 23													
Alleghany	0	17	11	28	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	32	30
Ashe	0	8	28	36	11	2	13	2	7	2	6	66	30
Wilkes	0	51	109	160	73	17	90	22	130	28	21	451	98
Yadkin	0	45	74	119	7	16	23	12	27	13	8	202	48
District Totals	0	121	222	343	91	35	126	37	166	44	35	751	206
District 24													
Avery	0	1	8	9	0	15	15	7	7	0	1	39	32
Madison	0	3	1	4	0	2	2	1	4	2	4	17	10
Mitchell	0	5	4	9	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	13	13
Watauga	0	8	21	29	0	12	12	18	19	16	5	99	51
Yancey	0	2	6	8	2	7	9	5	2	5	1	30	27
District Totals	0	19	40	59	2	37	39	33	33	23	11	198	133
District 25													
Burke	0	51	63	114	18	43	61	8	32	9	14	238	114
Caldwell	1	12	53	66	32	86	118	48	38	12	8	290	120
Catawba	0	157	151	308	14	28	42	25	30	10	5	420	153
District Totals	1	220	267	488	64	157	221	81	100	31	27	948	387
District 26													
Mecklenburg	0	515	619	1,134	12	161	173	13	153	53	36	1,562	650

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde-meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependant	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children Before Court for First Time
District 27A													
Gaston	0	131	386	517	0	35	35	19	68	4	8	651	418
District 27B													
Cleveland	0	59	110	169	4	6	10	12	26	18	8	243	117
Lincoln	0	32	28	60	2	9	11	12	12	5	4	104	54
District Totals	0	91	138	229	6	15	21	24	38	23	12	347	171
District 28													
Buncombe	0	99	248	347	22	193	215	56	51	20	20	709	256
District 29													
Henderson	0	8	65	73	14	5	19	6	18	8	8	132	76
McDowell	0	11	20	31	21	28	49	4	19	3	4	110	67
Polk	0	9	3	12	2	0	2	3	4	0	0	21	19
Rutherford	0	34	56	90	32	31	63	15	35	19	5	227	76
Transylvania	0	1	16	17	3	3	6	4	6	1	2	36	22
District Totals	0	63	160	223	72	67	139	32	82	31	19	526	260
District 30													
Cherokee	0	6	14	20	0	5	5	4	10	1	3	43	34
Clay	0	2	0	2	0	4	4	1	8	8	0	23	15
Graham	0	0	6	6	0	3	3	2	0	0	0	11	11
Haywood	0	1	18	19	3	26	29	11	7	3	0	69	47
Jackson	0	11	5	16	3	17	20	2	2	2	4	4(	42
Macon	0	5	14	19	1	7	8	6	3	2	1	39	35
Swain	0	0	3	3	0	2	2	0	5	2	0	12	12
District Totals	0	25	60	85	7	64	71	26	35	18	8	243	196
State Totals	8	4,608	8,639	13,255	590	1,968	2,558	1,240	2,008	714	524	20,299	9,031

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependancy Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 1													
Camden	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	5
Chowan	39	1	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	47
Currituck	25	7	0	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	5	0	44
Dare	22	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	29
Gates	4	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	1	0	0	1	11
Pasquotank	92	36	0	0	1	0	10	10	9	4	4	0	166
Perquimans	11	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	19
District Totals	193	48	2	2	10	1	22	10	18	5	9	1	321
District 2													
Beaufort	74	15	1	0	5	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	99
Hyde	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Martin	18	17	0	0	7	0	9	13	2	1	0	1	68
Tyrrell	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Washington	23	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	28
District Totals	119	35	1	0	15	2	10	14	3	1	2	1	203
District 3													
Carteret	55	37	8	0	33	8	36	2	3	0	0	1	183
Craven	167	69	9	2	22	1	41	9	3	1	13	1	338
Pamlico	6	0	3	5	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	19
Pitt	263	29	2	1	44	1	36	2	18	0	2	0	398
District Totals	491	135	22	8	99	10	115	13	25	2	16	2	938
District 4													
Duplin	42	7	4	2	0	0	12	1	1	0	0	0	69
Jones	3	0	0	1	1	0	13	0	2	0	0	0	20
Onslow	84	24	0	0	37	3	97	0	64	2	0	0	311
Sampson	89	5	3	3	3	1	9	1	3	0	1	0	118
District Totals	218	36	7	6	41	4	131	2	70	2	1	0	518
District 5													
New Hanover	295	57	65	1	2	0	27	0	4	0	6	1	458
Pender	18	5	6	0	2	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	39
District Totals	313	62	71	1	4	0	32	0	7	0	6	1	497
District 6													
Bertie	3	5	0	0	5	1	10	6	8	2	0	0	40
Halifax	77	17	4	6	6	0	13	0	5	0	0	0	128
Hertford	26	38	0	0	3	6	18	40	8	3	2	1	145
Northampton	5	8	0	1	0	1	4	7	3	0	0	0	29
District Totals	111	68	4	7	14	8	45	53	24	5	2	1	342

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 7													
Edgecombe	162	55	8	6	9	0	17	0	10	3	1	0	271
Nash	79	51	3	2	17	0	21	1	1	0	4	1	180
Wilson	149	53	3	4	14	0	14	1	3	0	5	4	250
District Totals	390	159	14	12	40	0	52	2	14	3	10	5	701
District 8													
Greene	8	2	0	0	1	0	15	0	0	0	3	0	29
Lenoir	155	43	19	6	9	0	29	15	7	0	15	0	298
Wayne	112	42	17	9	12	2	25	6	4	1	9	0	239
District Totals	275	87	36	15	22	2	69	21	11	1	27	0	566
District 9													
Franklin	22	2	5	1	2	0	3	1	5	1	3	0	45
Granville	83	16	3	1	1	3	4	0	4	0	1	0	116
Person	5	12	4	3	17	10	14	2	1	3	0	1	72
Vance	79	39	3	7	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	135
Warren	18	2	6	3	14	1	18	2	18	0	0	0	82
District Totals	207	71	21	15	36	17	39	7	28	4	4	1	450
District 10													
Wake	454	19	20	2	23	0	41	0	25	0	16	0	600
District 11													
Harnett	245	15	32	2	46	7	178	5	53	0	0	0	583
Johnston	27	15	8	3	2	0	4	0	2	0	6	0	67
Lee	109	66	11	8	32	10	68	20	12	4	0	3	343
District Totals	381	96	51	13	80	17	250	25	67	4	6	3	993
District 12													
Cumberland	507	347	208	120	65	36	125	47	28	41	17	4	1,545
Hoke	43	11	2	5	15	4	14	4	3	3	0	3	107
District Totals	550	358	210	125	80	40	139	51	31	44	17	7	1,652
District 13													
Bladen	53	29	6	3	1	2	1	2	0	0	3	0	100
Brunswick	83	31	10	5	0	1	9	2	1	1	0	3	146
Columbus	93	13	32	5	71	4	206	15	14	0	6	0	459
District Totals	229	73	48	13	72	7	216	19	15	1	9	3	705

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 14													
Durham	153	56	2	15	21	0	19	0	7	0	0	0	273
District 15A													
Alamance	204	17	39	5	19	4	26	4	7	0	8	3	336
District 15B													
Chatham	9	16	4	1	6	8	6	1	1	0	0	5	57
Orange	320	33	5	0	45	0	50	2	0	0	6	0	461
District Totals	329	49	9	1	51	8	56	3	1	0	6	5	518
District 16													
Robeson	278	46	28	1	32	0	13	1	12	2	5	0	418
Scotland	146	47	3	3	4	0	41	14	10	0	5	0	273
District Totals	424	93	31	4	36	0	54	15	22	2	10	0	691
District 17A													
Caswell	7	2	1	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	16
Rockingham	131	13	13	1	6	1	11	1	6	2	5	0	190
District Totals	138	15	14	1	8	2	12	2	7	2	5	0	206
District 17B													
Stokes	54	8	8	0	2	0	1	3	3	2	0	1	82
Surry	81	23	5	1	0	0	27	5	5	0	0	0	147
District Totals	135	31	13	1	2	0	28	8	8	2	0	1	229
District 18													
Guilford	577	221	111	39	60	16	49	16	12	8	49	3	1,161
District 19A													
Cabarrus	75	8	18	0	4	2	17	0	4	0	7	0	135
Rowan	363	65	101	16	208	16	141	9	51	3	5	0	978
District Totals	438	73	119	16	212	18	158	9	55	3	12	0	1,113
District 19B													
Montgomery	70	7	14	0	16	3	15	0	8	0	0	1	134
Randolph	441	33	64	7	26	3	41	11	11	5	7	4	653
District Totals	511	40	78	7	42	6	56	11	19	5	7	5	787

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District 20													
Anson	22	28	0	4	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	58
Moore	99	33	2	5	8	3	99	5	4	0	4	1	263
Richmond	140	151	4	2	5	2	60	5	21	4	1	0	395
Stanly	51	5	7	2	0	0	2	2	4	2	4	0	79
Union	163	22	16	5	24	3	38	14	18	8	5	3	319
District Totals	475	239	29	18	37	9	199	28	47	15	14	4	1,114
District 21													
Forsyth	403	74	37	154	11	0	43	10	8	0	13	12	765
District 22													
Alexander	14	2	11	0	2	1	2	1	5	0	0	3	41
Davidson	89	39	4	8	20	3	23	9	9	1	15	0	220
Davie	33	14	1	7	5	2	13	3	4	2	0	0	84
Iredell	92	55	19	3	8	0	17	1	2	1	0	0	198
District Totals	228	110	35	18	35	6	55	14	20	4	15	3	543
District 23													
Alleghany	8	18	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	31
Ashe	23	10	7	5	2	2	16	3	1	0	0	6	75
Wilkes	104	8	86	2	23	3	115	5	32	2	10	10	400
Yadkin	86	33	14	8	15	0	30	7	13	3	4	0	213
District Totals	221	69	107	15	40	6	163	15	48	5	14	16	719
District 24													
Avery	14	4	15	4	4	8	15	1	0	1	0	1	67
Madison	2	14	2	2	29	1	44	6	11	3	2	2	118
Mitchell	3	6	2	1	4	2	3	3	0	2	0	0	26
Watauga	63	30	16	1	55	2	39	0	22	0	0	2	230
Yancey	6	3	4	6	5	1	7	1	4	2	0	0	39
District Totals	88	57	39	14	97	14	108	11	37	8	2	5	480
District 25													
Burke	180	32	73	19	40	3	290	22	46	0	0	0	705
Caldwell	110	29	117	71	101	2	87	2	29	0	12	0	560
Catawba	247	79	45	7	19	1	27	1	9	3	6	0	444
District Totals	537	140	235	97	160	6	404	25	84	3	18	0	1,709
District 26													
Mecklenburg	668	335	94	50	13	0	140	13	37	5	38	0	1,393

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 27A													
Gaston	349	130	21	7	19	0	52	16	3	1	4	0	602
District 27B													
Cleveland	69	57	9	4	16	3	23	1	10	3	0	0	195
Lincoln	41	26	10	3	10	3	5	1	3	1	1	0	104
District Totals	110	83	19	7	26	6	28	2	13	4	1	0	299
District 28													
Buncombe	196	90	85	101	41	7	41	6	14	1	4	13	601
District 29													
Henderson	60	11	20	0	6	3	7	6	5	3	9	0	130
McDowell	16	6	34	8	1	1	13	3	2	0	0	0	84
Polk	11	0	2	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Rutherford	80	3	46	5	23	1	21	0	11	0	3	0	193
Transylvania	2	24	0	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
District Totals	169	44	102	16	38	9	41	9	18	3	12	0	461
District 30													
Cherokee	19	1	5	0	4	0	10	0	1	0	3	0	43
Clay	1	1	2	1	0	0	7	1	7	1	0	0	21
Graham	0	6	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Haywood	13	4	7	24	14	1	6	3	0	0	0	0	72
Jackson	24	3	3	8	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	43
Macon	14	2	2	3	4	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	30
Swain	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	12
District Totals	74	17	19	41	23	4	26	9	13	2	3	1	232
State Totals	10,358	3,230	1,745	846	1,527	229	2,919	443	818	145	360	98	22,718

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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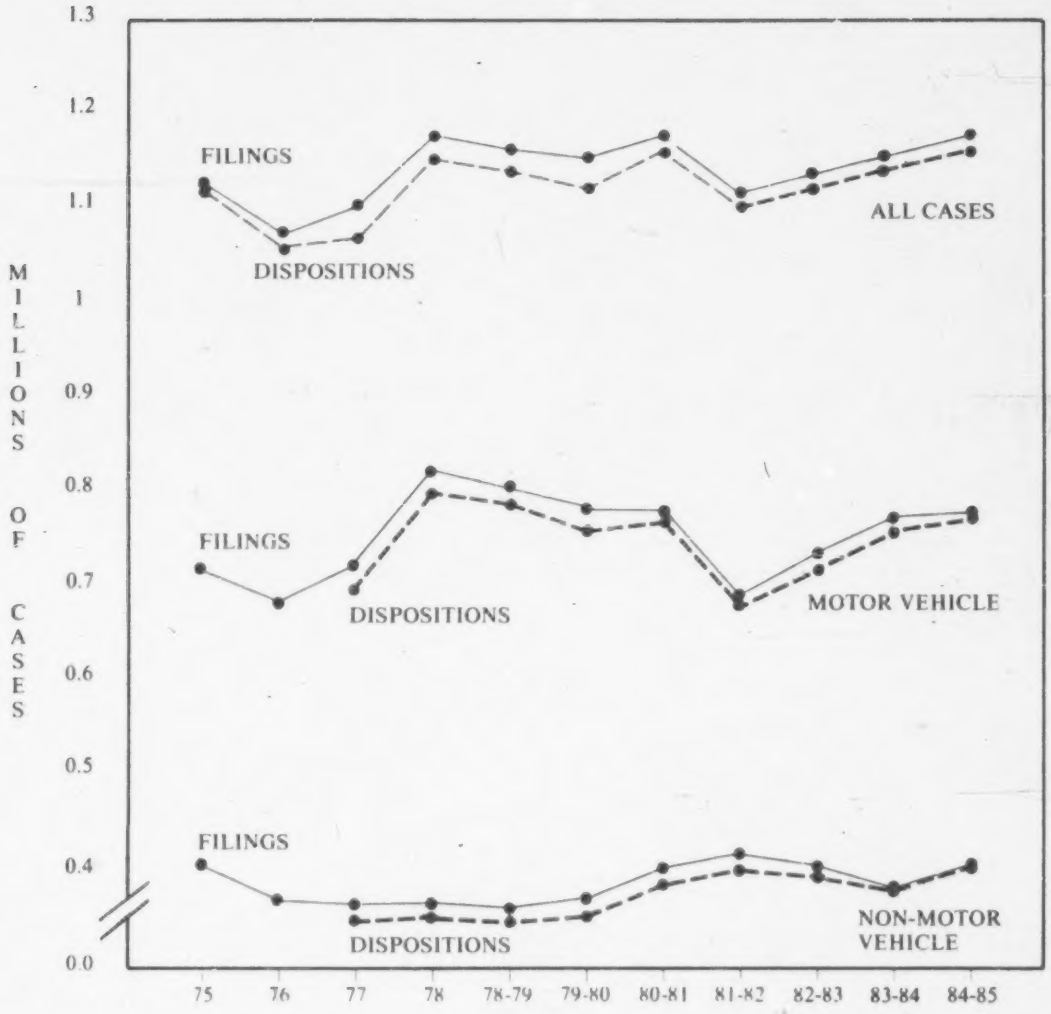

The increase in filings and dispositions shown here during 1984-85 is the result of 0.5% increase in motor vehicle filings and a 1.4% increase in motor vehicle dispositions, along with a 7.8% increase in non-motor vehicle filings and a 5.7% increase in non-motor vehicle dispositions. During 1984-85 65.2% of district court filings and 65.6% of district court dispositions were traffic cases.

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 1				
Camden	1,027	697	351	1,048
Chowan	1,026	714	217	931
Currituck	1,493	1,031	502	1,533
Dare	4,717	3,285	1,430	4,715
Gates	1,493	922	538	1,460
Pasquotank	1,919	1,116	771	1,887
Perquimans	764	495	223	718
District Totals	12,439	8,260	4,032	12,292
District 2				
Beaufort	5,288	2,871	2,073	4,944
Hyde	507	258	250	508
Martin	3,959	2,576	1,432	4,008
Tyrrell	860	532	293	825
Washington	1,542	895	487	1,382
District Totals	12,156	7,132	4,535	11,667
District 3				
Carteret	7,077	3,900	2,718	6,618
Craven	11,616	6,576	4,968	11,544
Pamlico	701	363	317	680
Pitt	16,050	9,219	6,048	15,267
District Totals	35,444	20,058	14,051	34,109
District 4				
Duplin	3,835	2,325	1,531	3,856
Jones	874	585	306	891
Onslow	11,188	5,390	6,033	11,423
Sampson	6,700	4,065	2,832	6,897
District Totals	22,597	12,365	10,702	23,067
District 5				
New Hanover	15,809	7,915	7,518	15,433
Pender	3,003	1,493	1,471	2,964
District Totals	18,812	9,408	8,989	18,397
District 6				
Bertie	2,333	1,550	911	2,461
Halifax	8,499	5,210	2,762	7,972
Hertford	3,279	2,278	1,095	3,373
Northampton	4,021	2,201	1,793	3,994
District Totals	18,132	11,239	6,561	17,800
District 7				
Edgecombe	4,696	3,192	1,496	4,688
Nash	8,286	5,760	2,705	8,465
Wilson	7,050	4,577	2,300	6,877
District Totals	20,032	13,529	6,501	20,030
District 8				
Greene	1,850	1,052	660	1,712
Lenoir	6,590	3,563	3,359	6,922
Wayne	9,614	5,214	4,603	9,817
District Totals	18,054	9,829	8,622	18,451

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District 9				
Franklin	2,066	1,029	1,056	2,085
Granville	3,836	2,522	1,336	3,858
Person	3,134	1,582	1,573	3,155
Vance	4,239	2,776	1,637	4,413
Warren	1,903	1,249	812	2,061
District Totals	15,178	9,158	6,414	15,572
District 10				
Wake	58,186	29,732	30,440	60,172
District 11				
Harnett	5,356	2,756	2,705	5,461
Johnston	8,717	4,648	4,284	8,932
Lee	4,953	3,117	1,838	4,955
District Totals	19,026	10,521	8,827	19,348
District 12				
Cumberland	30,215	16,105	14,735	30,840
Hoke	2,741	1,728	1,026	2,754
District Totals	32,956	17,833	15,761	33,594
District 13				
Bladen	4,644	2,438	2,170	4,608
Brunswick	3,932	1,994	2,058	4,052
Columbus	5,752	2,743	2,932	5,675
District Totals	14,328	7,175	7,160	14,335
District 14				
Durham	23,471	13,437	8,670	22,107
District 15A				
Alamance	10,864	6,060	4,681	10,741
District 15B				
Chatham	5,063	2,768	2,082	4,850
Orange	10,900	4,702	4,925	9,627
District Totals	15,963	7,470	7,007	14,477
District 16				
Robeson	11,451	5,161	5,921	11,082
Scotland	3,786	2,349	1,413	3,762
District Totals	15,237	7,510	7,334	14,844
District 17A				
Caswell	1,817	985	841	1,826
Rockingham	7,770	4,329	3,142	7,471
District Totals	9,587	5,314	3,983	9,297
District 17B				
Stokes	2,812	1,615	1,139	2,754
Surry	7,010	4,568	2,279	6,847
District Totals	9,822	6,183	3,418	9,601

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
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District 18				
Guilford	58,704	30,368	28,102	58,470
District 19A				
Cabarrus	13,598	8,711	5,316	14,027
Rowan	9,745	5,964	3,539	9,503
District Totals	23,343	14,675	8,855	23,530
District 19B				
Montgomery	3,946	2,580	1,502	4,082
Randolph	10,575	6,887	3,658	10,545
District Totals	14,521	9,467	5,160	14,627
District 20				
Anson	2,815	1,839	918	2,757
Moore	5,843	3,065	2,731	5,796
Richmond	3,625	2,164	1,379	3,543
Stanly	4,592	2,571	1,987	4,558
Union	7,060	4,212	2,520	6,732
District Totals	23,935	13,851	9,535	23,386
District 21				
Forsyth	39,779	20,725	18,775	39,500
District 22				
Alexander	1,584	627	885	1,512
Davidson	14,101	8,296	5,544	13,840
Davie	2,397	1,695	1,012	2,707
Iredell	9,941	6,194	3,446	9,640
District Totals	28,023	16,812	10,887	27,699
District 23				
Alleghany	701	511	254	765
Ashe	1,819	1,151	584	1,735
Wilkes	5,024	3,114	2,376	5,490
Yadkin	4,152	2,686	1,415	4,101
District Totals	11,696	7,462	4,629	12,091
District 24				
Avery	1,414	850	615	1,465
Madison	2,158	1,429	575	2,004
Mitchell	1,204	748	466	1,214
Watauga	3,784	2,299	1,382	3,681
Yancey	1,903	1,222	561	1,783
District Totals	10,463	6,548	3,599	10,147
District 25				
Burke	10,096	6,442	3,734	10,176
Caldwell	6,403	3,407	2,663	6,070
Catawba	14,400	7,752	5,654	13,406
District Totals	30,899	17,601	12,051	29,652
District 26				
Mecklenburg	64,281	34,580	30,123	64,703

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 27A				
Gaston	20,377	10,395	9,533	19,928
District 27B				
Cleveland	7,637	4,767	2,994	7,761
Lincoln	4,478	2,130	1,972	4,102
District Totals	12,115	6,897	4,966	11,863
District 28				
Buncombe	16,202	10,787	5,424	16,211
District 29				
Henderson	7,571	5,905	2,336	8,241
McDowell	4,259	3,015	1,390	4,405
Polk	1,715	1,140	483	1,623
Rutherford	5,741	3,796	1,870	5,666
Transylvania	1,691	1,014	648	1,662
District Totals	20,977	14,870	6,727	21,597
District 30				
Cherokee	1,791	1,114	746	1,860
Clay	493	355	144	499
Graham	349	196	202	398
Haywood	6,194	4,168	1,815	5,983
Jackson	2,538	1,660	724	2,384
Macon	2,026	2,131	783	2,914
Swain	1,004	619	336	955
District Totals	14,395	10,243	4,750	14,993
State Totals	771,994	437,494	330,804	768,298

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	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 1						
Camden	16	161	177	167	94.4	10
Chowan	46	544	590	545	92.4	45
Currituck	66	548	614	534	87.0	80
Dare	132	1,623	1,755	1,504	85.7	251
Gates	10	261	271	251	92.6	20
Pasquotank	106	1,832	1,938	1,807	93.2	131
Perquimans	32	397	429	403	93.9	26
District Totals	408	5,366	5,774	5,211	90.2	563
District 2						
Beaufort	139	2,572	2,711	2,546	93.9	165
Hyde	33	333	366	329	89.9	37
Martin	99	1,105	1,204	1,027	85.3	177
Tyrrell	4	266	270	258	95.6	12
Washington	18	708	726	692	95.3	34
District Totals	293	4,984	5,277	4,852	91.9	425
District 3						
Carteret	803	5,094	5,897	5,003	84.8	894
Craven	622	5,564	6,186	5,379	87.0	807
Pamlico	44	462	506	442	87.4	64
Pitt	1,202	10,041	11,243	9,633	85.7	1,610
District Totals	2,671	21,161	23,832	20,457	85.8	3,375
District 4						
Duplin	162	2,357	2,519	2,331	92.5	188
Jones	54	454	508	457	90.0	51
Onslow	995	9,279	10,274	9,399	91.5	875
Sampson	344	3,210	3,554	3,122	87.8	432
District Totals	1,555	15,300	16,855	15,309	90.9	1,546
District 5						
New Hanover	1,163	11,139	12,302	10,966	89.1	1,336
Pender	96	1,187	1,283	1,116	87.0	167
District Totals	1,259	12,326	13,585	12,082	88.9	1,503
District 6						
Bertie	58	1,016	1,074	1,035	96.4	39
Halifax	418	4,163	4,581	4,167	91.0	414
Hertford	137	1,545	1,682	1,574	93.6	108
Northampton	87	1,095	1,182	1,087	92.0	95
District Totals	700	7,819	8,519	7,863	92.3	656
District 7						
Edgecombe	728	5,171	5,899	5,270	89.3	629
Nash	847	6,393	7,240	6,401	88.4	839
Wilson	990	5,105	6,095	4,851	79.6	1,244
District Totals	2,565	16,669	19,234	16,522	85.9	2,712
District 8						
Greene	57	1,004	1,061	949	89.4	112
Lenoir	513	4,781	5,294	4,715	89.1	579
Wayne	1,088	6,962	8,050	6,947	86.3	1,103
District Totals	1,658	12,747	14,405	12,611	87.5	1,794

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	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 9						
Franklin	198	1,763	1,961	1,827	93.2	134
Granville	166	2,095	2,261	2,051	90.7	210
Person	182	1,504	1,686	1,511	89.6	175
Vance	243	2,756	2,999	2,713	90.5	286
Warren	55	767	822	767	93.3	55
District Totals	844	8,885	9,729	8,869	91.2	860
District 10						
Wake	5,507	25,095	30,602	24,665	80.6	5,937
District 11						
Harnett	319	3,584	3,903	3,524	90.3	379
Johnston	430	4,802	5,232	4,752	90.8	480
Lee	324	3,463	3,787	3,488	92.1	299
District Totals	1,073	11,849	12,922	11,764	91.0	1,158
District 12						
Cumberland	2,928	20,506	23,434	19,732	84.2	3,702
Hoke	156	1,538	1,694	1,531	90.4	163
District Totals	3,084	22,044	25,128	21,263	84.6	3,865
District 13						
Bladen	224	2,012	2,236	1,951	87.3	285
Brunswick	381	2,446	2,827	2,437	86.2	390
Columbus	336	3,461	3,797	3,485	91.8	312
District Totals	941	7,919	8,860	7,873	88.9	987
District 14						
Durham	2,253	12,930	15,183	12,304	81.0	2,879
District 15A						
Alamance	458	6,288	6,746	6,185	91.7	561
District 15B						
Chatham	193	1,912	2,105	1,807	85.8	298
Orange	490	3,674	4,164	3,626	87.1	538
District Totals	683	5,586	6,269	5,433	86.7	836
District 16						
Robeson	602	9,156	9,758	9,028	92.5	730
Scotland	289	3,225	3,514	3,185	90.6	329
District Totals	891	12,381	13,272	12,213	92.0	1,059
District 17A						
Caswell	35	1,122	1,157	1,090	94.2	67
Rockingham	367	4,390	4,757	4,296	90.3	461
District Totals	402	5,512	5,914	5,386	91.1	528
District 17B						
Stokes	80	1,276	1,356	1,153	85.0	203
Surry	214	2,950	3,164	2,818	89.1	346
District Totals	294	4,226	4,520	3,971	87.9	549

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	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 18						
Guilford	6,248	27,459	33,707	25,613	76.0	8,094
District 19A						
Cabarrus	581	5,234	5,815	5,306	91.2	509
Rowan	315	4,001	4,316	3,935	91.2	381
District Totals	896	9,235	10,131	9,241	91.2	890
District 19B						
Montgomery	286	2,525	2,811	2,455	87.3	356
Randolph	434	4,783	5,217	4,604	88.2	613
District Totals	720	7,308	8,028	7,059	87.9	969
District 20						
Anson	254	1,698	1,952	1,763	90.3	189
Moore	376	4,754	5,130	4,644	90.5	486
Richmond	159	3,283	3,442	3,311	96.2	131
Stanly	218	2,655	2,873	2,556	89.0	317
Union	348	3,995	4,343	3,895	89.7	448
District Totals	1,355	16,385	17,740	16,169	91.1	1,571
District 21						
Forsyth	2,145	17,053	19,198	16,595	86.4	2,603
District 22						
Alexander	117	1,229	1,346	1,169	86.8	177
Davidson	988	6,680	7,668	5,808	75.7	1,860
Davie	116	775	891	802	90.0	89
Iredell	928	6,048	6,976	6,055	86.8	921
District Totals	2,149	14,732	16,881	13,834	82.0	3,047
District 23						
Alleghany	21	295	316	304	96.2	12
Ashe	51	745	796	720	90.5	76
Wilkes	308	2,976	3,284	2,944	89.6	340
Yadkin	211	794	1,005	915	91.0	90
District Totals	591	4,810	5,401	4,883	90.4	518
District 24						
Avery	79	515	594	514	86.5	80
Madison	136	467	603	522	86.6	81
Mitchell	57	416	473	401	84.8	72
Watauga	179	1,240	1,419	1,249	88.0	170
Yancey	70	413	483	421	87.2	62
District Totals	521	3,051	3,572	3,107	87.0	465
District 25						
Burke	499	3,956	4,455	3,899	87.5	556
Caldwell	411	3,914	4,325	3,715	85.9	610
Catawba	767	6,366	7,133	6,152	86.2	981
District Totals	1,677	14,236	15,913	13,766	86.5	2,147
District 26						
Mecklenburg	6,384	31,859	38,243	30,850	80.7	7,393

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	Begin Pending 7/1/84	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/85
District 27A						
Gaston	2,240	14,033	16,273	13,472	82.8	2,801
District 27B						
Cleveland	391	4,937	5,328	4,920	92.3	408
Lincoln	217	2,616	2,833	2,459	86.8	374
District Totals	608	7,553	8,161	7,379	90.4	782
District 28						
Buncombe	1,330	11,058	12,388	11,199	90.4	1,189
District 29						
Henderson	564	3,547	4,111	3,456	84.1	655
McDowell	128	1,353	1,481	1,311	88.5	170
Polk	44	440	484	403	83.3	81
Rutherford	561	3,084	3,645	2,971	81.5	674
Transylvania	231	952	1,183	1,013	85.6	170
District Totals	1,528	9,376	10,904	9,154	84.0	1,750
District 30						
Cherokee	146	718	866	722	83.4	144
Clay	13	244	257	218	84.8	39
Graham	61	399	460	364	79.1	96
Haywood	213	2,024	2,237	2,000	89.4	237
Jackson	92	663	755	647	85.7	108
Macon	164	738	902	732	81.2	170
Swain	47	513	560	437	78.0	123
District Totals	738	5,299	6,037	5,120	84.8	917
State Totals	56,669	412,534	469,203	402,274	85.7	66,929

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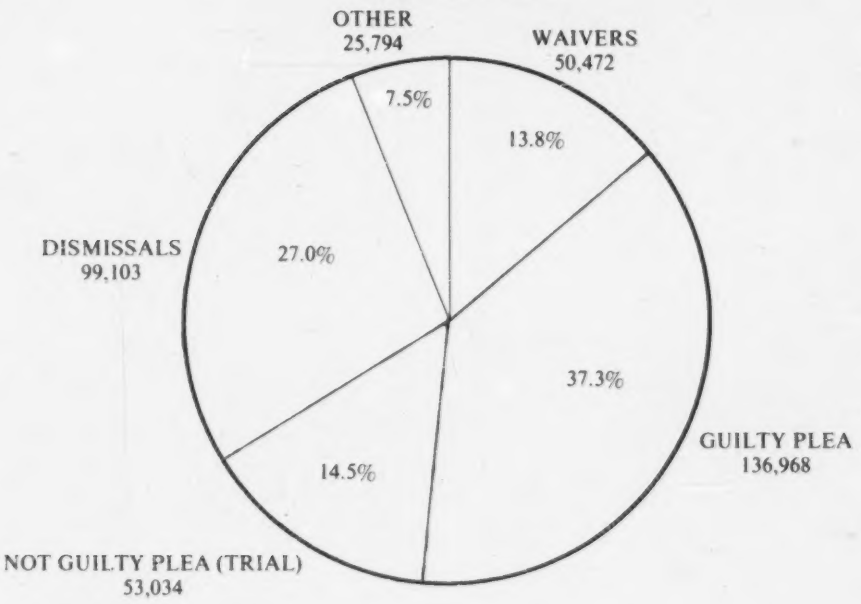

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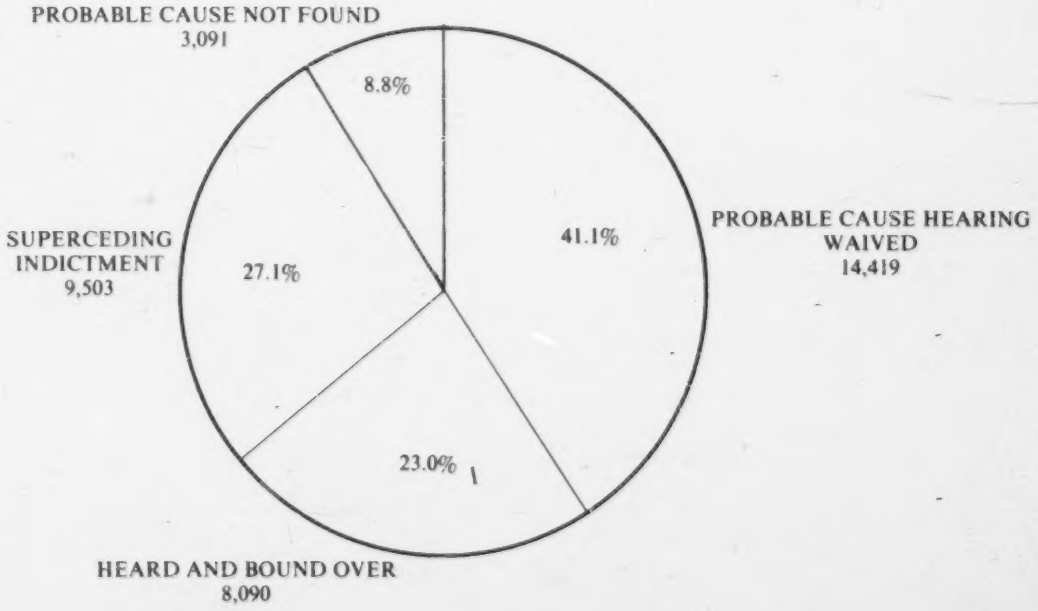

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 1								
Camden	1	30	37	35	12	37	15	167
Chowan	37	262	24	116	66	9	31	545
Currituck	14	164	65	76	100	36	79	534
Dare	39	524	155	205	383	105	93	1,504
Gates	26	105	36	29	25	1	29	251
Pasquotank	99	0	27	996	390	123	172	1,807
Perquimans	1	155	18	86	100	18	25	403
District Totals	217	1,240	362	1,543	1,076	329	444	5,211
% of Total	4.2%	23.8%	6.9%	29.6%	20.6%	6.3%	8.5%	100.0%
District 2								
Beaufort	90	777	703	444	247	131	154	2,546
Hyde	10	120	76	41	34	22	26	329
Martin	214	316	31	161	98	81	126	1,027
Tyrrell	3	43	53	91	30	25	13	258
Washington	117	156	61	152	59	62	85	692
District Totals	434	1,412	924	889	468	321	404	4,852
% of Total	8.9%	29.1%	19.0%	18.3%	9.6%	6.6%	8.3%	100.0%
District 3								
Carteret	605	1,547	905	162	1,496	111	177	5,003
Craven	1,026	2,003	162	362	1,244	238	344	5,379
Pamlico	16	150	88	48	111	8	21	442
Pitt	2,640	3,087	194	774	2,187	165	586	9,633
District Totals	4,287	6,787	1,349	1,346	5,038	522	1,128	20,457
% of Total	21.0%	33.2%	6.6%	6.6%	24.6%	2.6%	5.5%	100.0%
District 4								
Duplin	515	457	35	312	243	230	539	2,331
Jones	14	99	19	147	102	59	17	457
Onslow	2,221	3,812	79	431	1,291	654	911	9,399
Sampson	852	786	12	525	513	290	144	3,122
District Totals	3,602	5,154	145	1,415	2,149	1,233	1,611	15,309
% of Total	23.5%	33.7%	0.9%	9.2%	14.0%	8.1%	10.5%	100.0%
District 5								
New Hanover	1,003	4,007	3	1,116	1,886	1407	1,544	10,966
Pender	19	371	91	176	270	117	72	1,116
District Totals	1,022	4,378	94	1,292	2,156	1,524	1,616	12,082
% of Total	8.5%	36.2%	0.8%	10.7%	17.8%	12.6%	13.4%	100.0%
District 6								
Bertie	45	323	63	201	178	161	64	1,035
Halifax	310	845	234	1,457	802	285	234	4,167
Hertford	165	551	29	166	175	367	121	1,574
Northampton	85	324	66	188	123	220	81	1,087
District Totals	605	2,043	392	2,012	1,278	1,033	500	7,863
% of Total	7.7%	26.0%	5.0%	25.6%	16.3%	13.1%	6.4%	100.0%
District 7								
Edgecombe	956	1,085	260	1,440	1,078	255	196	5,270
Nash	1,537	2,277	209	726	1,104	227	321	6,401
Wilson	845	1,860	112	490	1,144	118	282	4,851
District Totals	3,338	5,222	581	2,656	3,326	600	799	16,522
% of Total	20.2%	31.6%	3.5%	16.1%	20.1%	3.6%	4.8%	100.0%

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 8								
Greene	78	338	35	83	219	95	101	949
Lenoir	281	1,381	574	671	1,224	302	282	4,715
Wayne	1,201	409	100	2,053	2,213	438	533	6,947
District Totals	1,560	2,128	709	2,807	3,656	835	916	12,611
% of Total	12.4%	16.9%	5.6%	22.3%	29.0%	6.6%	7.3%	100.0%
District 9								
Franklin	464	26	0	748	284	76	229	1,827
Granville	312	825	20	289	257	129	219	2,051
Person	144	463	118	289	323	39	135	1,511
Vance	476	846	37	385	449	325	195	2,713
Warren	71	228	27	174	165	33	69	767
District Totals	1,467	2,388	202	1,885	1,478	602	847	8,869
% of Total	16.5%	26.9%	2.3%	21.3%	16.7%	6.8%	9.6%	100.0%
District 10								
Wake	4,361	6,263	2,185	1,883	6,332	1029	2,612	24,665
% of Total	17.7%	25.4%	8.9%	7.6%	25.7%	4.2%	10.6%	100.0%
District 11								
Harnett	948	300	85	873	659	345	314	3,524
Johnston	1,101	1,614	38	503	850	395	251	4,752
Lee	893	708	22	739	551	266	309	3,488
District Totals	2,942	2,622	145	2,115	2,060	1,006	874	11,764
% of Total	25.0%	22.3%	1.2%	18.0%	17.5%	8.6%	7.4%	100.0%
District 12								
Cumberland	5,610	5,862	107	1,900	4,758	397	1,098	19,732
Hoke	322	25	3	800	223	72	86	1,531
District Totals	5,932	5,887	110	2,700	4,981	469	1,184	21,263
% of Total	27.9%	27.7%	0.5%	12.7%	23.4%	2.2%	5.6%	100.0%
District 13								
Bladen	246	423	104	534	496	57	91	1,951
Brunswick	146	798	323	270	706	47	147	2,437
Columbus	744	1,180	18	321	852	206	164	3,485
District Totals	1,136	2,401	445	1,125	2,054	310	402	7,873
% of Total	14.4%	30.5%	5.7%	14.3%	26.1%	3.9%	5.1%	100.0%
District 14								
Durham	888	4,849	4	943	3,895	677	1,048	12,304
% of Total	7.2%	39.4%	.0%	7.7%	31.7%	5.5%	8.5%	100.0%
District 15A								
Alamance	485	168	192	3,390	1,017	367	566	6,185
% of Total	7.8%	2.7%	3.1%	54.8%	16.4%	5.9%	9.2%	100.0%
District 15B								
Chatham	186	382	455	214	400	44	126	1,807
Orange	241	1,062	294	226	1,240	202	361	3,626
District Totals	427	1,444	749	440	1,640	246	487	5,433
% of Total	7.9%	26.6%	13.8%	8.1%	30.2%	4.5%	9.0%	100.0%

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District 16								
Robeson	1,403	3,777	3	1,025	472	1265	1,083	9,028
Scotland	371	1,132	77	651	247	363	344	3,185
District Totals	1,774	4,909	80	1,676	719	1,628	1,427	12,213
% of Total	14.5%	40.2%	0.7%	13.7%	5.9%	13.3%	11.7%	100.0%
District 17A								
Caswell	45	221	84	322	129	125	164	1,090
Rockingham	325	1,083	132	1,136	571	544	505	4,296
District Totals	370	1,304	216	1,458	700	669	669	5,386
% of Total	6.9%	24.2%	4.0%	27.1%	13.0%	12.4%	12.4%	100.0%
District 17B								
Stokes	92	315	23	147	207	161	208	1,153
Surry	163	817	200	399	568	252	419	2,818
District Totals	255	1,132	223	546	775	413	627	3,971
% of Total	6.4%	28.5%	5.6%	13.7%	19.5%	10.4%	15.8%	100.0%
District 18								
Guilford	1,374	8,797	1,316	2,062	8,692	1165	2,207	25,613
% of Total	5.4%	34.3%	5.1%	8.1%	33.9%	4.5%	8.6%	100.0%
District 19A								
Cabarrus	703	1,676	172	1,016	977	89	673	5,306
Rowan	273	1,114	147	721	695	474	511	3,935
District Totals	976	2,790	319	1,737	1,672	563	1,184	9,241
% of Total	10.6%	30.2%	3.5%	18.8%	18.1%	6.1%	12.8%	100.0%
District 19B								
Montgomery	187	403	0	391	670	662	142	2,455
Randolph	834	1,479	121	621	1,030	65	454	4,604
District Totals	1,021	1,882	121	1,012	1,700	727	596	7,059
% of Total	14.5%	26.7%	1.7%	14.3%	24.1%	10.3%	8.4%	100.0%
District 20								
Anson	123	54	167	622	575	38	184	1,763
Moore	991	920	157	479	821	788	488	4,644
Richmond	285	876	27	663	592	243	625	3,311
Stanly	554	690	257	305	387	81	282	2,556
Union	536	1,113	88	677	728	325	428	3,895
District Totals	2,489	3,653	696	2,746	3,103	1,475	2,007	16,169
% of Total	15.4%	22.6%	4.3%	17.0%	19.2%	9.1%	12.4%	100.0%
District 21								
Forsyth	1,779	5,231	0	2,443	4,581	723	1,838	16,595
% of Total	10.7%	31.5%	0.0%	14.7%	27.6%	4.4%	11.1%	100.0%
District 22								
Alexander	60	361	38	174	303	154	79	1,169
Davidson	319	1,555	266	912	2,223	383	150	5,808
Davie	68	93	1	156	247	160	77	802
Iredell	497	2,000	376	824	1,753	312	293	6,055
District Totals	944	4,009	681	2,066	4,526	1,009	599	13,834
% of Total	6.8%	29.0%	4.9%	14.9%	32.7%	7.3%	4.3%	100.0%

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		Judge	Magistrate					
District 23								
Alleghany	15	36	15	127	70	19	22	304
Ashe	89	238	5	94	19	199	76	720
Wilkes	448	908	50	739	290	286	223	2,944
Yadkin	34	321	18	241	119	109	73	915
District Totals	586	1,503	88	1,201	498	613	394	4,883
% of Total	12.0%	30.8%	1.8%	24.6%	10.2%	12.6%	8.1%	100.0%
District 24								
Avery	54	74	43	52	174	53	64	514
Madison	10	27	22	100	277	15	71	522
Mitchell	47	23	15	111	149	36	20	401
Watauga	218	207	80	78	392	119	155	1,249
Yancey	9	110	48	66	103	64	21	421
District Totals	338	441	208	407	1,095	287	331	3,107
% of Total	10.9%	14.2%	6.7%	13.1%	35.2%	9.2%	10.7%	100.0%
District 25								
Burke	456	27	54	1,146	1,426	384	406	3,899
Caldwell	259	1,011	430	325	970	274	446	3,715
Catawba	668	2,105	120	444	1,586	405	824	6,152
District Totals	1,383	3,143	604	1,915	3,982	1,063	1,676	13,766
% of Total	10.0%	22.8%	4.4%	13.9%	28.9%	7.7%	12.2%	100.0%
District 26								
Mecklenburg	918	10,776	1,068	1,620	11,776	2372	2,320	30,850
% of Total	3.0%	34.9%	3.5%	5.3%	38.2%	7.7%	7.5%	100.0%
District 27A								
Gaston	577	4,642	19	1,137	4,391	1424	1,282	13,472
% of Total	4.3%	34.5%	0.1%	8.4%	32.6%	10.6%	9.5%	100.0%
District 27B								
Cleveland	371	1,529	144	440	1,461	819	156	4,920
Lincoln	355	640	114	250	592	339	169	2,459
District Totals	726	2,169	258	690	2,053	1,158	325	7,379
% of Total	9.8%	29.4%	3.5%	9.4%	27.8%	15.7%	4.4%	100.0%
District 28								
Buncombe	1,712	5,616	44	630	2,341	125	731	11,199
% of Total	15.3%	50.1%	0.4%	5.6%	20.9%	1.1%	6.5%	100.0%
District 29								
Henderson	84	1,379	399	131	1,014	157	292	3,456
McDowell	167	425	133	162	192	38	194	1,311
Polk	10	153	7	15	137	21	60	403
Rutherford	61	980	302	504	606	305	213	2,971
Transylvania	33	360	127	59	291	69	74	1,013
District Total	355	3,297	968	871	2,240	590	833	9,154
% of Total	3.9%	36.0%	10.6%	9.5%	24.5%	6.4%	9.1%	100.0%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 30								
Cherokee	53	174	1	35	260	145	54	722
Clay	18	22	73	30	35	35	5	218
Graham	2	53	102	45	97	40	25	364
Haywood	67	604	94	168	677	64	326	2,000
Jackson	17	145	93	22	191	99	80	647
Macon	19	155	94	36	258	97	73	732
Swain	16	115	66	40	137	7	56	437
District Totals	192	1,268	523	376	1,655	487	619	5,120
% of Total	3.8%	24.8%	10.2%	7.3%	32.3%	9.5%	12.1%	100.0%
State Totals	50,472	120,948	16,020	53,034	99,103	27,594	35,103	402,274
% of Total	12.5%	30.1%	4.0%	13.2%	24.6%	6.9%	8.7%	100.0%

AGES OF PENDING CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1									
Camden	8	0	1	1	0	0	10	63.6	32.0
Chowan	35	0	1	4	1	4	45	135.0	20.0
Currituck	76	0	0	3	1	0	80	39.9	32.0
Dare	236	2	5	8	0	0	251	30.3	13.0
Gates	12	4	1	3	0	0	20	94.2	90.0
Pasquotank	122	2	3	2	1	1	131	41.1	20.0
Perquimans	16	2	0	2	3	3	26	234.8	51.0
District Totals	505	10	11	23	6	8	563	54.8	20.0
% of Total	89.7%	1.8%	2.0%	4.1%	1.1%	1.4%	100.0%		
District 2									
Beaufort	142	2	10	6	5	0	165	58.3	23.0
Hyde	34	0	0	1	2	0	37	59.3	19.0
Martin	60	5	13	51	37	11	177	270.7	214.0
Tyrrell	10	1	1	0	0	0	12	38.8	15.0
Washington	27	6	1	0	0	0	34	41.4	25.5
District Totals	273	14	25	58	44	11	425	144.9	48.0
% of Total	64.2%	3.3%	5.9%	13.6%	10.4%	2.6%	100.0%		
District 3									
Carteret	585	63	72	130	32	12	894	110.8	47.0
Craven	606	40	66	66	29	0	807	84.2	44.0
Pamlico	50	2	7	0	5	0	64	73.5	39.5
Pitt	1,139	93	144	166	49	19	1,610	97.6	47.0
District Totals	2,380	198	289	362	115	31	3,375	97.5	46.0
% of Total	70.5%	5.9%	8.6%	10.7%	3.4%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 4									
Duplin	167	12	8	0	1	0	188	42.4	39.0
Jones	45	2	0	1	3	0	51	66.2	37.0
Onslow	743	50	57	24	1	0	875	44.9	26.0
Sampson	385	12	25	7	0	3	432	44.7	19.0
District Totals	1,340	76	90	32	5	3	1,546	45.3	25.0
% of Total	86.7%	4.9%	5.8%	2.1%	0.3%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 5									
New Hanover	961	54	72	139	80	30	1,336	117.3	39.0
Pender	115	5	9	15	15	8	167	161.9	39.0
District Totals	1,076	59	81	154	95	38	1,503	122.3	39.0
% of Total	71.6%	3.9%	5.4%	10.2%	6.3%	2.5%	100.0%		
District 6									
Bertie	28	1	2	5	3	0	39	98.6	30.0
Halifax	307	34	24	34	13	2	414	81.8	41.0
Hertford	93	4	3	4	2	2	108	66.2	35.0
Northampton	84	1	8	2	0	0	95	43.9	25.0
District Totals	512	40	37	45	18	4	656	74.8	33.0
% of Total	78.0%	6.1%	5.6%	6.9%	2.7%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 7									
Edgecombe	457	36	80	45	11	0	629	72.0	40.0
Nash	579	89	70	58	38	5	839	91.6	39.0
Wilson	682	73	112	133	47	197	1,244	298.4	74.0
District Totals	1,718	198	262	236	96	202	2,712	181.9	52.0
% of Total	63.3%	7.3%	9.7%	8.7%	3.5%	7.4%	100.0%		

AGES OF PENDING CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 8									
Greene	101	3	3	4	1	0	112	52.7	38.0
Lenoir	439	40	79	18	3	0	579	62.8	46.0
Wayne	836	81	87	93	6	0	1,103	69.3	48.0
District Totals	1,376	124	169	115	10	0	1,794	66.2	46.0
% of Total	76.7%	6.9%	9.4%	6.4%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9									
Franklin	115	2	10	3	2	2	134	61.6	19.5
Granville	150	21	9	21	3	6	210	117.5	30.0
Person	128	8	5	16	14	4	175	116.1	27.0
Vance	238	8	12	16	3	9	286	86.4	27.0
Warren	36	9	6	4	0	0	238	70.1	66.0
District Totals	667	48	42	60	22	21	860	95.1	26.0
% of Total	77.6%	5.6%	4.9%	7.0%	2.6%	2.4%	100.0%		
District 10									
Wake	3,721	436	670	735	288	87	5,937	117.3	58.0
% of Total	62.7%	7.3%	11.3%	12.4%	4.9%	1.5%	100.0%		
District 11									
Harnett	284	22	20	16	15	22	379	140.7	33.0
Johnston	392	24	22	18	6	18	480	107.2	30.5
Lee	222	47	13	11	4	2	299	78.6	41.0
District Totals	898	93	55	45	25	42	1,158	110.8	33.0
% of Total	77.5%	8.0%	4.7%	3.9%	2.2%	3.6%	100.0%		
District 12									
Cumberland	2,621	351	439	237	29	25	3,702	78.2	52.0
Hoke	141	7	8	6	1	0	163	48.6	26.0
District Totals	2,762	358	447	243	30	25	3,865	76.9	51.0
% of Total	71.5%	9.3%	11.6%	6.3%	0.8%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 13									
Bladen	226	8	18	22	5	6	285	91.7	38.0
Brunswick	314	20	32	10	7	7	390	76.5	30.0
Columbus	248	14	25	24	1	0	312	63.2	37.0
District Totals	788	42	75	56	13	13	987	76.7	37.0
% of Total	79.8%	4.3%	7.6%	5.7%	1.3%	1.3%	100.0%		
District 14									
Durham	1,592	230	210	336	284	227	2,879	206.8	72.0
% of Total	55.3%	8.0%	7.3%	11.7%	9.9%	7.9%	100.0%		
District 15A									
Alamance	490	17	34	20	0	0	561	40.7	20.0
% of Total	87.3%	3.0%	6.1%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 15B									
Chatham	266	10	8	7	5	2	298	52.5	27.0
Orange	388	19	24	61	19	27	538	143.2	40.0
District Totals	654	29	32	68	24	29	836	110.8	33.0
% of Total	78.2%	3.5%	3.8%	8.1%	2.9%	3.5%	100.0%		

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District 16									
Robeson	655	33	29	10	3	0	730	38.5	20.0
Scotland	220	7	9	28	29	36	329	236.1	33.0
District Totals	875	40	38	38	32	36	1,059	99.9	20.0
% of Total	82.6%	3.8%	3.6%	3.6%	3.0%	3.4%	100.0%		
District 17A									
Caswell	53	3	2	6	2	1	67	77.1	24.0
Rockingham	398	7	14	32	10	0	461	57.4	24.0
District Totals	451	10	16	38	12	1	528	59.9	24.0
% of Total	85.4%	1.9%	3.0%	7.2%	2.3%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 17B									
Stokes	188	3	7	4	1	0	203	41.8	25.0
Surry	310	16	6	11	3	0	346	44.5	24.0
District Totals	498	19	13	15	4	0	549	43.5	24.0
% of Total	90.7%	3.5%	2.4%	2.7%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18									
Guilford	4,470	736	964	1,328	570	26	8,094	125.3	75.0
% of Total	55.2%	9.1%	11.9%	16.4%	7.0%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 19A									
Cabarrus	457	20	11	20	0	1	509	42.1	24.0
Rowan	343	20	8	7	3	0	381	39.5	20.0
District Totals	800	40	19	27	3	1	890	40.9	20.0
% of Total	89.9%	4.5%	2.1%	3.0%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 19B									
Montgomery	281	19	19	32	4	1	356	62.6	26.0
Randolph	541	28	13	26	2	3	613	54.4	27.0
District Totals	822	47	32	58	6	4	969	57.5	27.0
% of Total	84.8%	4.9%	3.3%	6.0%	0.6%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 20									
Anson	152	6	18	4	4	5	189	84.6	27.0
Moore	361	38	22	47	8	10	486	91.0	38.5
Richmond	103	12	8	4	2	2	131	67.3	26.0
Stanly	289	13	9	6	0	0	317	36.4	25.0
Union	335	25	18	18	12	40	448	234.4	27.0
District Totals	1,240	94	75	79	26	57	1,571	118.1	26.0
% of Total	78.9%	6.0%	4.8%	5.0%	1.7%	3.6%	100.0%		
District 21									
Forsyth	1,490	109	181	439	382	2	2,603	148.9	55.0
% of Total	57.2%	4.2%	7.0%	16.9%	14.7%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 22									
Alexander	146	3	2	20	3	3	177	86.7	26.0
Davidson	917	218	109	340	251	25	1,860	168.3	95.0
Davie	47	20	8	5	6	3	89	201.7	81.0
Iredell	606	36	48	112	38	81	921	196.6	47.0
District Totals	1,716	277	167	477	298	112	3,047	173.1	68.0
% of Total	56.3%	9.1%	5.5%	15.7%	9.8%	3.7%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
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District 23									
Alleghany	10	0	0	2	0	0	12	69.5	22.5
Ashe	42	10	1	6	10	7	76	219.8	55.0
Wilkes	149	13	17	31	50	80	340	401.0	147.5
Yadkin	76	5	2	5	2	0	90	47.1	12.0
District Totals	277	28	20	44	62	87	518	305.2	68.0
% of Total	53.5%	5.4%	3.9%	8.5%	12.0%	16.8%	100.0%		
District 24									
Avery	40	10	10	9	11	0	80	138.4	95.0
Madison	54	10	8	7	1	1	81	89.2	54.0
Mitchell	56	12	0	4	0	0	72	60.1	41.0
Watauga	128	7	10	25	0	0	170	74.3	47.0
Yancey	46	4	0	12	0	0	62	96.6	56.0
District Totals	324	43	28	57	12	1	465	88.7	54.0
% of Total	69.7%	9.2%	6.0%	12.3%	2.6%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	441	35	47	23	5	5	556	71.9	33.0
Caldwell	518	27	32	32	1	0	610	54.0	33.0
Catawba	796	67	36	58	15	9	981	73.7	33.0
District Totals	1,755	129	115	113	21	14	2,147	67.6	33.0
% of Total	81.7%	6.0%	5.4%	5.3%	1.0%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,199	512	785	991	534	372	7,393	177.2	71.0
% of Total	56.8%	6.9%	10.6%	13.4%	7.2%	5.0%	100.0%		
District 27A									
Gaston	1,902	204	208	294	137	56	2,801	116.8	48.0
% of Total	67.9%	7.3%	7.4%	10.5%	4.9%	2.0%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	359	9	10	18	7	5	408	59.8	20.0
Lincoln	308	15	8	38	4	1	374	57.4	19.0
District Totals	667	24	18	56	11	6	782	58.7	19.0
% of Total	85.3%	3.1%	2.3%	7.2%	1.4%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	895	72	100	110	11	1	1,189	63.4	27.0
% of Total	75.3%	6.1%	8.4%	9.3%	0.9%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	440	34	40	77	38	26	655	135.4	48.0
McDowell	134	2	5	13	13	3	170	109.3	27.0
Polk	72	5	1	0	3	0	81	59.9	47.0
Rutherford	410	23	52	110	63	16	674	158.1	52.0
Transylvania	114	11	6	9	30	0	170	155.8	78.5
District Totals	1,170	75	104	209	147	45	1,750	140.1	48.0
% of Total	66.9%	4.3%	5.9%	11.9%	8.4%	2.6%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1985

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 30									
Cherokee	77	16	5	12	21	13	144	200.8	85.0
Clay	25	2	8	2	2	0	39	84.9	30.0
Graham	77	2	0	13	3	1	96	86.0	37.0
Haywood	192	12	5	8	13	7	237	93.1	24.0
Jackson	85	12	3	7	1	0	108	56.3	31.0
Macon	78	5	9	17	39	22	170	314.5	132.0
Swain	97	8	8	0	7	3	123	101.6	41.0
District Totals	631	57	38	59	86	46	917	146.8	46.0
% of Total	68.8%	6.2%	4.1%	6.4%	9.4%	5.0%	100.0%		
State Totals	44,934	4,488	5,450	7,020	3,429	1,608	66,929	122.2	48.0
% of Total	67.1%	6.7%	8.1%	10.5%	5.1%	2.4%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1									
Camden	163	3	1	0	0	0	167	25.8	20.0
Chowan	519	5	1	15	2	3	545	33.1	15.0
Currituck	513	7	13	1	0	0	534	27.1	22.0
Dare	1,418	53	26	6	1	0	1,504	31.2	22.0
Gates	249	0	1	1	0	0	251	18.6	17.0
Pasquotank	1,749	16	11	26	5	0	1,807	30.5	22.0
Perquimans	392	2	6	1	2	0	403	27.7	19.0
District Totals	5,003	86	59	50	10	3	5,211	29.7	21.0
% of Total	96.0%	1.7%	1.1%	1.0%	0.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 2									
Beaufort	2,507	14	4	10	7	4	2,546	17.8	8.0
Hyde	318	3	6	1	0	1	329	23.8	13.0
Martin	971	20	16	20	0	0	1,027	22.3	9.0
Tyrrell	252	4	1	1	0	0	258	20.9	14.0
Washington	665	15	10	2	0	0	692	19.9	9.0
District Totals	4,713	56	37	34	7	5	4,852	19.6	9.0
% of Total	97.1%	1.2%	0.8%	0.7%	0.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 3									
Carteret	4,141	292	294	174	47	55	5,003	64.3	27.0
Craven	4,724	254	238	136	26	1	5,379	39.5	21.0
Pamlico	389	16	16	16	1	4	442	45.0	15.0
Pitt	8,226	524	535	246	85	17	9,633	52.4	28.0
District Totals	17,480	1,086	1,083	572	159	77	20,457	51.7	25.0
% of Total	85.4%	5.3%	5.3%	2.8%	0.8%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 4									
Duplin	2,205	54	31	32	3	6	2,331	31.1	16.0
Jones	422	18	5	9	3	0	457	37.5	23.0
Onslow	8,689	335	231	135	9	0	9,399	30.8	16.0
Sampson	2,826	134	111	42	7	2	3,122	38.8	27.0
District Totals	14,142	541	378	218	22	8	15,309	32.7	19.0
% of Total	92.4%	3.5%	2.5%	1.4%	0.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 5									
New Hanover	10,129	344	170	266	138	19	10,966	37.5	17.0
Pender	1,051	24	23	14	3	1	1,116	28.9	16.0
District Totals	11,180	268	193	280	141	20	12,082	36.7	17.0
% of Total	92.5%	2.2%	1.6%	2.3%	1.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 6									
Bertie	972	33	10	11	9	0	1,035	28.4	15.0
Halifax	3,712	145	153	82	73	2	4,167	45.5	23.0
Hertford	1,444	38	44	28	12	8	1,574	46.2	18.0
Northampton	1,033	21	21	10	2	0	1,087	28.5	15.0
District Totals	7,161	237	228	131	96	10	7,863	41.0	20.0
% of Total	91.1%	3.0%	2.9%	1.7%	1.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 7									
Edgecombe	4,468	263	235	208	76	20	5,270	54.2	26.0
Nash	5,519	404	256	195	22	5	6,401	45.8	26.0
Wilson	3,861	271	254	365	86	14	4,851	66.3	30.0
District Totals	13,848	938	745	768	184	39	16,522	54.5	28.0
% of Total	83.8%	5.7%	4.5%	4.6%	1.1%	0.2%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 8									
Greene	856	46	26	21	0	0	949	35.0	17.0
Lenoir	4,042	268	284	114	7	0	4,715	44.6	27.0
Wayne	5,537	544	488	342	36	0	6,947	59.5	37.0
District Totals	10,435	858	798	477	43	0	12,611	52.1	32.0
% of Total	82.7%	6.8%	6.3%	3.8%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9									
Franklin	1,646	64	43	41	12	21	1,827	45.6	15.0
Granville	1,901	46	58	23	19	4	2,051	35.8	17.0
Person	1,375	49	30	21	26	10	1,511	46.5	24.0
Vance	2,470	113	56	64	7	3	2,713	36.8	21.0
Warren	708	18	20	16	2	3	767	34.2	15.0
District Totals	8,100	290	207	165	66	41	8,869	39.8	19.0
% of Total	91.3%	3.3%	2.3%	1.9%	0.7%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 10									
Wake	18,346	1,804	1,721	2,167	555	72	24,665	79.7	49.0
% of Total	74.4%	7.3%	7.0%	8.8%	2.3%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 11									
Harnett	3,261	87	89	70	17	0	3,524	34.6	20.0
Johnston	4,270	207	173	95	6	1	4,752	36.7	21.0
Lee	3,205	86	98	81	16	2	3,488	34.3	17.0
District Totals	10,736	380	360	246	39	3	11,764	35.4	20.0
% of Total	91.3%	3.2%	3.1%	2.1%	0.3%	.0%	100.0%		
District 12									
Cumberland	15,533	1,332	1,396	1,417	52	2	19,732	58.2	30.0
Hoke	1,347	95	65	19	5	0	1,531	41.7	29.0
District Totals	16,880	1,427	1,461	1,436	57	2	21,263	57.0	30.0
% of Total	79.4%	6.7%	6.9%	6.8%	0.3%	.0%	100.0%		
District 13									
Bladen	1,781	51	46	40	28	5	1,951	43.7	23.0
Brunswick	2,118	104	103	55	18	39	2,437	60.7	27.0
Columbus	3,207	106	114	48	9	1	3,485	35.4	22.0
District Totals	7,106	261	263	143	55	45	7,873	45.3	23.0
% of Total	90.3%	3.3%	3.3%	1.8%	0.7%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 14									
Durham	10,209	730	677	399	128	161	12,304	62.8	30.0
% of Total	83.0%	5.9%	5.5%	3.2%	1.0%	1.3%	100.0%		
District 15A									
Alamance	5,949	130	54	45	6	1	6,185	29.6	21.0
% of Total	96.2%	2.1%	0.9%	0.7%	0.1%	.0%	100.0%		
District 15B									
Chatham	1,626	81	54	42	4	0	1,807	36.7	21.0
Orange	3,100	171	176	103	65	11	3,626	55.2	31.0
District Totals	4,726	252	230	145	69	11	5,433	49.1	28.0
% of Total	87.0%	4.6%	4.2%	2.7%	1.3%	0.2%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 16									
Robeson	8,505	221	210	79	10	3	9,028	26.6	14.0
Scotland	3,045	46	29	32	25	8	3,185	30.7	15.0
District Totals	11,550	267	239	111	35	11	12,213	27.7	15.0
% of Total	94.6%	2.2%	2.0%	0.9%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 17A									
Caswell	1,041	35	3	10	1	0	1,090	25.2	16.0
Rockingham	4,058	113	65	49	9	2	4,296	32.4	21.0
District Totals	5,099	148	68	59	10	2	5,386	30.9	20.0
% of Total	94.7%	2.7%	1.3%	1.1%	0.2%	.0%	100.0%		
District 17B									
Stokes	1,058	47	41	7	0	0	1,153	32.8	20.0
Surry	2,645	87	67	14	5	0	2,818	36.0	28.0
District Totals	3,703	134	108	21	5	0	3,971	35.1	27.0
% of Total	93.3%	3.4%	2.7%	0.5%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18									
Guilford	17,932	2,076	2,352	2,250	934	69	25,613	87.1	51.0
% of Total	70.0%	8.1%	9.2%	8.8%	3.6%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 19A									
Cabarrus	4,971	166	93	42	34	0	5,306	36.4	26.0
Rowan	3,718	82	66	42	18	9	3,935	35.4	22.0
District Totals	8,689	248	159	84	52	9	9,241	36.0	24.0
% of Total	94.0%	2.7%	1.7%	0.9%	0.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 19B									
Montgomery	2,251	73	80	48	3	0	2,455	33.5	22.0
Randolph	4,104	281	142	75	1	1	4,604	44.2	35.0
District Totals	6,355	354	222	123	4	1	7,059	40.5	30.0
% of Total	90.0%	5.0%	3.1%	1.7%	0.1%	.0%	100.0%		
District 20									
Anson	1,532	88	51	66	16	10	1,763	57.0	33.0
Moore	4,401	106	89	38	5	5	4,644	29.2	19.0
Richmond	3,214	58	21	12	5	1	3,311	23.2	15.0
Stanly	2,453	61	28	11	3	0	2,556	27.1	19.0
Union	3,715	63	65	34	14	4	3,895	30.2	17.0
District Totals	15,315	376	254	161	43	20	16,169	30.9	18.0
% of Total	94.7%	2.3%	1.6%	1.0%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 21									
Forsyth	15,519	344	330	296	100	6	16,595	37.8	24.0
% of Total	93.5%	2.1%	2.0%	1.8%	0.6%	.0%	100.0%		
District 22									
Alexander	1,081	37	41	9	1	0	1,169	32.8	20.0
Davidson	5,045	312	234	171	41	5	5,808	46.6	26.0
Davie	708	31	23	29	9	2	802	48.4	22.0
Iredell	5,504	217	183	90	31	30	6,055	48.0	30.0
District Totals	12,338	597	481	299	82	37	13,834	46.2	27.0
% of Total	89.2%	4.3%	3.5%	2.2%	0.6%	0.3%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 23									
Alleghany	286	7	6	3	1	1	304	34.1	18.0
Ashe	685	22	6	2	2	3	720	25.2	14.0
Wilkes	2,809	61	52	9	12	1	2,944	25.9	13.0
Yadkin	850	33	20	12	0	0	915	29.3	15.0
District Totals	4,630	123	84	26	15	5	4,883	27.0	14.0
% of Total	94.8%	2.5%	1.7%	0.5%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 24									
Avery	395	24	33	34	15	13	514	100.4	34.5
Madison	389	23	25	36	45	4	522	106.6	48.0
Mitchell	335	27	17	14	4	4	401	64.2	45.0
Watauga	944	73	99	99	28	6	1,249	72.3	31.0
Yancey	350	32	9	15	11	4	421	63.9	35.0
District Totals	2,413	179	183	198	103	31	3,107	80.5	36.0
% of Total	77.7%	5.8%	5.9%	6.4%	3.3%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	3,396	201	201	91	7	3	3,899	42.6	24.0
Caldwell	3,208	170	169	158	9	1	3,715	47.3	28.0
Catawba	5,272	348	376	136	19	1	6,152	46.5	27.0
District Totals	11,876	719	746	385	35	5	13,766	45.6	27.0
% of Total	86.3%	5.2%	5.4%	2.8%	0.3%	.0%	100.0%		
District 26									
Mecklenburg	24,261	1,824	1,824	1,977	684	280	30,850	74.2	34.0
% of Total	78.6%	5.9%	5.9%	6.4%	2.2%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 27A									
Gaston	11,242	823	637	452	264	54	13,472	62.0	36.0
% of Total	83.4%	6.1%	4.7%	3.4%	2.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	4,644	157	76	42	1	0	4,920	30.7	21.0
Lincoln	2,319	74	44	17	5	0	2,459	33.5	26.0
District Totals	6,963	231	120	59	6	0	7,379	31.6	22.0
% of Total	94.4%	3.1%	1.6%	0.8%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	9,974	375	316	277	246	11	11,199	47.5	25.0
% of Total	89.1%	3.3%	2.8%	2.5%	2.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	2,923	167	93	65	102	106	3,456	85.5	31.0
McDowell	1,224	38	23	17	9	0	1,311	37.0	24.0
Polk	354	24	9	5	3	8	403	71.9	22.0
Rutherford	2,406	159	184	114	63	45	2,971	75.4	37.0
Transylvania	821	49	68	71	4	0	1,013	54.5	27.0
District Totals	7,728	437	377	272	181	159	9,154	71.3	31.0
% of Total	84.4%	4.8%	4.1%	3.0%	2.0%	1.7%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 30									
Cherokee	631	30	47	8	5	1	722	50.5	36.0
Clay	193	8	14	2	1	0	218	31.9	14.0
Graham	328	15	11	7	3	0	364	43.5	25.0
Haywood	1,838	57	64	27	5	9	2,000	37.7	20.0
Jackson	590	13	12	13	19	0	647	45.7	25.0
Macon	607	25	14	9	2	75	732	200.8	28.0
Swain	373	33	26	4	1	0	437	47.0	37.0
District Totals	4,560	181	188	70	36	85	5,120	64.8	25.0
% of Total	89.1%	3.5%	3.7%	1.4%	0.7%	1.7%	100.0%		
State Totals	346,161	18,780	17,182	14,396	4,472	1,283	402,274	51.7	27.0
% of Total	86.1%	4.7%	4.3%	3.6%	1.1%	0.3%	100.0%		

RANKINGS FOR THE 34 JUDICIAL DISTRICTS BASED UPON PERCENT TOTAL CASELOAD DISPOSED*

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Superior Court			District Court		
		Civil	Criminal		Domestic Relations	General Civil and Magistrate Appeals	Criminal Non-Motor Vehicle
			Felonies	Misdemeanors			
I	1	22	25	16	24	29	14
	2	21	12	12	13	28	3
	3	20	17	7	34	2	25
	4	26	5	3	33	32	10
	5	28	18	14	30	17	15
	6	18	7	13	2	13	1
	7	15	8	15	7	5	24
	8	14	22	18	14	11	19
II	9	27	27	28	11	20	5
	10	17	34	5	28	12	33
	11	3	1	4	10	1	9
	12	31	9	10	31	25	27
	13	34	26	20	19	31	16
	14	19	28	30	32	33	31
	15 A	33	16	29	1	6	4
	15 B	6	15	11	21	15	21
	16	30	19	32	4	7	2
III	17 A	7	2	8	9	16	7
	17 B	1	6	2	12	8	17
	18	23	24	26	27	24	34
	19 A	12	11	25	15	27	6
	19 B	24	21	22	8	10	18
	20	25	10	9	26	34	8
	21	2	4	1	18	19	23
	22	9	30	23	16	14	30
	23	4	23	17	5	3	11
IV	24	16	14	34	25	23	20
	25	11	32	31	20	9	22
	26	13	20	27	6	22	32
	27 A	8	3	19	22	18	29
	27 B	10	31	21	3	4	12
	28	5	13	6	17	21	13
	29	32	29	24	23	30	28
	30	29	33	33	29	26	26

*Total Caseload = Cases pending on July 1, 1984 + new cases filed during the 1984-85 year. A rank of 1 indicates the highest percentage of total caseload disposed; a rank of 34 indicates the lowest percentage of total caseload disposed.

RANKINGS FOR THE 100 COUNTIES BASED UPON PERCENT TOTAL CASELOAD DISPOSED*

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

Judicial District	County	Superior Court			District Court		
		Civil	Criminal		Domestic Relations	General Civil and Magistrate Appeals	Criminal Non-Motor Vehicle
			Felonies	Misdemeanors			
1	Camden	53	30	76	1	100	6
	Chowan	15	93	28	53	69	17
	Currituck	83	78	54	92	82	64
	Dare	60	62	67	57	87	77
	Gates	95	89	16	89	26	14
	Pasquotank	56	59	35	46	70	13
	Perquimans	28	73	58	96	99	9
2	Beaufort	44	60	48	47	83	8
	Hyde	98	95	82	74	95	41
	Martin	55	10	3	32	86	81
	Tyrrell	58	17	69	67	48	4
	Washington	45	12	44	2	65	5
3	Carteret	43	87	64	100	5	83
	Craven	40	55	29	97	12	63
	Pamlico	57	99	2	86	4	58
	Pitt	61	26	26	98	15	79
4	Duplin	76	13	4	59	59	15
	Jones	100	2	30	84	93	40
	Onslow	77	34	24	99	96	23
	Sampson	32	11	1	34	25	56
5	New Hanover	73	50	42	87	36	49
	Pender	91	19	53	77	73	65
6	Bertie	50	28	31	4	13	1
	Halifax	65	16	47	17	46	26
	Hertford	19	54	38	8	18	10
	Northampton	63	9	37	9	24	20
7	Edgecombe	31	33	13	25	3	47
	Nash	42	14	45	18	30	53
	Wilson	46	38	77	42	32	96
8	Greene	2	5	10	58	61	45
	Lenoir	37	44	40	44	35	48
	Wayne	52	77	63	33	28	72
9	Franklin	75	27	19	43	45	12
	Granville	84	88	66	66	40	29
	Person	35	90	94	5	10	43
	Vance	72	70	86	13	80	33
	Warren	92	61	72	79	52	11
10	Wake	47	84	22	83	31	95
11	Harnett	18	8	50	28	20	37
	Johnston	10	3	8	29	1	28
	Lee	17	4	11	36	2	19
12	Cumberland	80	32	36	90	71	86
	Hoke	41	6	39	63	51	35

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RANKINGS FOR THE 100 COUNTIES BASED UPON PERCENT TOTAL CASELOAD DISPOSED*

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

Judicial District	County	Superior Court			District Court		
		Civil	Criminal		Domestic Relations	General Civil and Magistrate Appeals	Criminal Non-Motor Vehicle
			Felonies	Misdemeanors			
13	Bladen	79	57	59	3	37	59
	Brunswick	93	85	91	80	91	73
	Columbus	88	41	32	48	88	21
14	Durham	48	74	87	93	89	93
15 A	Alamance	82	45	85	7	22	22
15 B	Chatham	6	37	21	72	54	76
	Orange	27	49	46	50	27	62
16	Robeson	78	31	61	12	16	16
	Scotland	86	92	95	20	33	30
17 A	Caswell	81	1	9	56	75	7
	Rockingham	14	15	34	26	29	38
17 B	Stokes	1	29	14	37	66	82
	Surry	5	22	7	31	11	50
18	Guilford	64	67	68	73	64	99
19 A	Cabarrus	26	40	75	38	58	24
	Rowan	30	23	57	40	90	25
19 B	Montgomery	66	52	73	75	60	60
	Randolph	70	56	49	22	8	54
20	Anson	49	18	27	27	81	36
	Moore	96	36	17	88	98	32
	Richmond	62	65	62	82	97	3
	Stanly	36	39	12	71	74	51
	Union	68	7	23	62	78	42
21	Forsyth	11	21	6	49	47	71
22	Alexander	22	91	20	23	14	66
	Davidson	38	79	43	52	44	100
	Davie	9	47	74	35	38	39
	Iredell	20	76	84	41	19	67
23	Alleghany	7	46	60	21	68	2
	Ashe	3	25	71	16	56	31
	Wilkes	29	64	33	10	6	44
	Yadkin	4	69	80	19	43	27

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RANKINGS FOR THE 100 COUNTIES BASED UPON PERCENT TOTAL CASELOAD DISPOSED*

July 1, 1984 — June 30, 1985

Judicial District	County	Superior Court			District Court		
		Civil	Criminal		Domestic Relations	General Civil and Magistrate Appeals	Criminal Non-Motor Vehicle
			Felonies	Misdemeanors			
24	Avery	8	42	83	78	67	70
	Madison	97	66	97	68	7	69
	Mitchell	59	75	99	81	77	85
	Watauga	21	35	90	69	49	55
	Yancey	13	51	5	15	57	61
25	Burke	25	86	92	64	53	57
	Caldwell	36	72	89	70	9	75
	Catawba	23	82	78	39	23	74
26	Mecklenburg	39	53	79	24	55	94
27 A	Gaston	24	20	52	60	42	90
27 B	Cleveland	33	81	56	14	17	18
	Lincoln	12	63	55	6	21	68
28	Buncombe	16	43	25	45	50	34
29	Henderson	89	48	65	54	79	87
	McDowell	69	58	15	30	85	52
	Polk	67	98	98	11	41	89
	Rutherford	87	80	70	76	72	91
	Transylvania	74	94	51	94	94	80
30	Cherokee	94	83	93	51	39	88
	Clay	54	100	41	55	63	84
	Graham	99	97	96	65	24	97
	Haywood	71	68	81	95	62	46
	Jackson	51	24	18	61	76	78
	Macon	85	71	88	91	84	92
	Swain	90	96	100	85	92	98

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